

10 July 2019
Our ref: 5403928

Thank you for your request received on 18 June 2019, for the following information:

I am sending this request under the Freedom of Information Act.

1) Please state whether your local authority overspent its budget for the high needs / special educational needs funding block in each of the following financial years:

- a) 2018-19**
- b) 2017-18**
- c) 2016-17**
- d) 2015-16**

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- a) percentage**
- b) cash**

terms, in each of the following financial years:

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b) Whether it was approved or denied in each year.

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4) If this was approved, please state the amount of money transferred from the schools funding block to the high needs / special educational needs funding block in

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5) If this was not initially approved, please state whether

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b) What the outcome of this appeal or direct application was

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We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

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Please see attached spreadsheet.

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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