



London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
15 August 2019
Our ref: 5547480

Thank you for your request received on 13 August 2019, for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to ask the following:

- 1. When was the last time your crematoria underwent significant renovation? What works were carried out and what was the overall cost?**
- 2. When do you project future works will be required? (chapel renovation, cremation chambers, etc)**

If the decision is made to withhold some of this data using exemptions in the Data Protection Act, please inform me of that fact and cite the exemptions used.

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

1. When was the last time your crematoria underwent significant renovation? What works were carried out and what was the overall cost?

- The Cremators were replaced and mercury abatement equipment fitted in 2013/14, the contract was procured by the Council in accordance with its procedures.
- A new digital audio visual system was installed in 2015
- A fully integrated fire alarm system was fitted in 2014
- The Chapels, book of remembrance room and chapel toilets were refurbished and redecorated in 2018/19

2. When do you project future works will be required? (chapel renovation, cremation chambers, etc)

Planned refurbishments include

- Renovation and refurbishment of the Gatehouse to create new offices and a Café, currently out to tender.
- In discussion with the local community with a view to creating extra capacity in the chapels for large funeral

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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