

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 20 August 2019 Our ref: 5557881

Thank you for your request received on 16 August 2019, for the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from your council.

- 1. How many new homes for social rent or London Affordable Rent, that are not funded by grant from the Greater London Authority (so from Section 106 contributions, borrowing, Right to Buy receipts, cross-subsidy or other sources) have been started by the Council in each of the last five financial years? I am asking about homes built by the Council itself (or any companies owned by the council), rather than homes built by Housing Associations and other registered providers in the borough.
- 2. In each of the last five financial years:
- a) How much of the much (in £) of the receipts of Right to Buy sales have been retained by the Council?
- b) How much of the much (in £) of the receipts of Right to Buy sales have been returned to the Government?
- c) How many new council homes for social rent or London Affordable Rent have been supported by Right to Buy receipts?

Please provide the information in the form of a text response to the question asked or in a table or spreadsheet format where appropriate.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, please provide further advice and assistance to indicate this.

If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone and I will be happy to clarify what I am asking for ' see my details below.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response

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

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Year	Gross RTB	2a	2b
2014/15	16,707,370.00	15,151,501.98	1,555,868.02
2015/16	11,489,150.00	9,709,332.59	1,779,817.41
2016/17	12,032,800.00	10,267,249.70	1,765,550.30
2017/18	7,933,440.54	6,183,903.66	1,749,536.88
2018/19	9,480,800.00	7,731,263.12	1,749,536.88

The returned amounts below are fixed by Government; there is a requirement on LAs to return additional receipts if they do not meet certain spend requirement, Barnet have not had to do this to date.

The first column below provides the receipts received (Gross) RTB receipts, retained is 2a and returned is 2b.

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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/

Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link www.ico.org.uk

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

If, having exhausted our review procedure, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you will have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website www.ico.org.uk). There is no charge for making an appeal.