

10 September 2019

Our ref: 5552480

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

I request information regarding licenses in force for operators to sell animals as pets, under:

*** The Animal Welfare (Licensing of Activities Involving Animals) (England) Regulations 2018, or;**

*** The Pet Animals Act 1951.**

Please provide me with the following data:

i. The number of licenses in force for operators engaged in selling animals as pets on 1st October 2018.

ii. The number of licenses in force for operators engaged in selling animals as pets on 1st April 2019.

iii. The number of licenses granted for operators engaged in selling animals as pets during the period 1st October 2018 to 1st April 2019.

iv. The number of licenses renewed for operators engaged in selling animals as pets during the period 1st October 2018 to 1st April 2019.

Please also provide me with copies of every license currently in force for operators engaged in selling animals as pets, including the general and specific conditions.

I request that this information is provided to me in digital formats by email

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we consider that the following exceptions apply to some of the information requested.

The remaining information is not withheld and is below

The number of licenses in force for operators engaged in selling animals as pets on 1st October 2018 6

The number of licenses in force for operators engaged in selling animals as pets on 1st April 2019 6

The number of licenses granted for operators engaged in selling animals as pets during the period 1st October 2018 to 1st April 2019 No new licence holders

The number of licenses renewed for operators engaged in selling animals as pets during the period 1st October 2018 to 1st April 2019. 6

it is only the licence holder that can request a copy of their own licence. As a result we are unable to provide copies of all licences to an enquirer.

Any public information relating to the animal welfare licences can be found on our licensing register accessible on Barnet Councils Website.

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible.

The rest of the information you requested is available on our website using the following link <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/licences-permits-and-registrations/licensing-register>

If you do not have access to the internet at home, you may be able to use facilities at your local library.

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.