

18 September 2019

Our ref: 5577176

Thank you for your request received on 27 August 2019, for the following information:

Taking the period from the start of 2015 to the current date, could you please release under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act:

- the names of and links to supplementary planning documents adopted by the local authority, which were created using funding, in full or in part, by companies, consultancies and other organisations outside the local authority.
- the name or names of the organisations which funded them in each case
- the cash amount received by the council from each funder to cover the council's costs.

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

Taking the period from the start of 2015 to the current date, could you please release under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act:

- ***the names of and links to supplementary planning documents adopted by the local authority, which were created using funding, in full or in part, by companies, consultancies and other organisations outside the local authority.***
- ***the name or names of the organisations which funded them in each case***
- ***the cash amount received by the council from each funder to cover the council's costs.***

The Council has adopted 6 SPDs since 2015. These are set out at

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policies-and-local-plan/local-plan>

The Council did not directly receive any funding for these SPDs.

Production of all these documents was overseen by Re, who are contracted by the Council to deliver planning services in Barnet.

In respect of area based SPDs for Grahame Park, North Finchley and Colindale Station Re was paid directly for this service via Planning Performance Agreements.

The Council did not therefore receive any cash from each of the funders.

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

The information you requested is available on our website using the following link

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policies-and-local-plan/local-plan>

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.