

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 22 October 2019 Our ref: 5722316

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

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Specifically, I would like information on

1. The amount of money your local authority has spent on advertising and promoting the EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) to the residents of your local authority. I would like this information broken down by year, 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2018/19. If information is not available for 2018/19, I would like it just for 2016/17 and 2018/19.

I would prefer to receive this information in an Excel spreadsheet.

If the decision is made to withhold some of this data, please inform me of that fact and please provide still data on any questions you can answer.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Thank you very much for your time. Please feel free to contact me for clarification on any of my requests.

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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No specific costs were incurred in 16/17, 17/18 or 18/19. The forecasted budget for 19/20 for promotion of the EU settlement scheme and signposting to Brexit preparedness public information is £10,000

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.