

6 November 2019

Our ref: 5711388

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

Please could you confirm your budget timeline, showing the dates of when budgets are typically agreed, by whom and at what point providers of learning disability services are notified of your decisions. We require this information for both children & adult services within London Borough of Barnet.

Please ensure you enclose full contact details including Name, Telephone Number and Email Address for the person who deals with this information so they can be contacted directly should we require any further information?

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below:-

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The council publishes the budget book online: <https://www.barnet.gov.uk/your-council/finance-funding-and-pensions/financial-forward-plan-and-capital-programme>

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Data is in the public domain as per link above and we do not give out names of individual members of staff below that of Head of Service.

The contact for Assistance Director of Commissioning is Jess.Baines-Holmes@Barnet.gov.uk

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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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

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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.