

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 27 November 2019 Our ref: 5764568

Thank you for your request received on 4 November 2019, for the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information concerning the Policy Management System currently utilised by your organisation.

In relation to the term, 'Policy Management System', this makes reference to how Policies are managed in your organisation, from initiation to completion. This may involve but not be limited to initial drafting of the Policy, review by colleagues, adding of review dates, completion of all relevant legislation in relation to Policies and being able to pull a Policy register via the system. If you do not currently use a system as such please let us know that this is done manually within your organisation.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested, please provide advice and assistance, as to how I can refine my request to be included in the scope of the Act.

Please can you provide the below information:

- 1. What is the name of your current Policy Management System?
- 2. Who is the supplier of this Policy Management System?
- 3. What is the total cost per annum and what was the initial set up cost?
- 4. Was this cost based on the total number of users or a one off cost with unlimited number of users?
- 5. Is the software hosted on premise by the authority, off premise by the supplier or delivered via a cloud service?
- 6. Please provide any documentation or procedures relating to your Policy Management System?

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

## Response

The council holds the information requested and ithe answers to your questions are

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The London Boorugh of Barnet does not use a 'Policy Management System', this is done manually within our organisation.

## **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, 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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.