

22 November 2019

Our ref: 5750773

Thank you for your request received on 28 October 2019, for the following information:

This request is made under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and is submitted on behalf of Friern Barnet & Whetstone Residents' Association.

The term 'documents' used below includes documents whether in written or in electronic formats and includes reports, papers, notes, emails, letters and memoranda.

The request relates to the design of the Friern Park, Ashurst Road and Buxted Road sections of the proposed cycleway which was the subject of the consultation 'Barnet Cycleway: consultation on a new walking and cycling route' of June/July 2019 and how that design relates to the provisions and requirements of the TfL 'New Cycle Route Quality Criteria of May 2019', including the Quality Criteria thresholds ('TfL thresholds') set out in Section 4 of that document, which comprise 'target levels' of provision and minimum 'required levels' of provision.

Please provide copies of -

- 1. the documents containing or discussing the instructions/proposed instructions to the designers for the design of the above sections of the cycleway (whether for those specific sections or for a larger section including those sections);**
- 2. any documents identifying the relevant TfL thresholds that the designers were expected by the Council to achieve (i.e. were the designers expected to achieve the TfL 'target thresholds' or merely the 'required levels');**
- 3. any documents discussing which TfL thresholds the designers should be expected by the Council to achieve (i.e. documents antecedent to the documents requested at 2 above) ; and**
- 4. any documents provided by the designers or other advisers or consultants reporting on or discussing the proposed design and how that design relates to the provisions and requirements of the TfL 'New Cycle Route Quality Criteria of May 2019', including the Quality Criteria thresholds ('TfL thresholds') set out in Section 4 of that document, and in particular to 'target levels' of provision and minimum 'required levels' of provision.**

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

Response

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

Please provide copies of

1. the documents containing or discussing the instructions/proposed instructions to the designers for the design of the above sections of the cycleway (whether for those specific sections or for a larger section including those sections);

Designs were developed prior to publication of the document referred to, but reviewed by TfL designers and scheme sponsor with consideration of the developing guidance.

- Document “Services to be provided” that sets out the general requirements included in a schedule to the contract between Barnet and Sustrans (running from 1 Dec 2018 – 30 Nov 2019) in relation to developing the route.
- Sponsor and Quality Criteria Review Document
- Email trail regarding response and additional design in relation to Sponsor and Quality Criteria Review
- Notes from pre-consultation meeting with Councillors 23/04/2019 Design issues log produced from comments from Councillor meeting

2. any documents identifying the relevant TfL thresholds that the designers were expected by the Council to achieve (i.e. were the designers expected to achieve the TfL 'target thresholds' or merely the 'required levels');

Not held – although some thresholds implied on quality criteria tab of the Sponsor and Quality Criteria review document and email

3. any documents discussing which TfL thresholds the designers should be expected by the Council to achieve (i.e. documents antecedent to the documents requested at 2 above) ; and

Not held

4. any documents provided by the designers or other advisers or consultants reporting on or discussing the proposed design and how that design relates to the provisions and requirements of the TfL 'New Cycle Route Quality Criteria of May 2019' , including the Quality Criteria thresholds ('TfL thresholds') set out in Section 4 of that document, and in particular to 'target levels' of provision and minimum 'required levels' of provision.

See Sponsor and Quality Criteria Review document and email trail.

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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