

25 November 2019

Our ref: 5755772

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

- 1. How many children looked-after by the local authority had a marker for child criminal exploitation in each of the calendar years 2017, 2018, 2019 to date?**
- 2. For each of these children, please provide details of:**
 - a. The number of placement moves the child experienced in each year**
 - b. Whether each placement was within or outside the LA area**
 - c. The duration of each placement**
 - d. The total cost of each placement**

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

Response

I can confirm that the council holds information related to your request. However, I am sorry that your request is not being met on this occasion. In accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this is a refusal letter.

Refusal Notice

s12 (cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit)

The information requested cannot be gathered electronically and would require manual compilation. We estimate that compliance with your request would exceed the appropriate time/costs limit under section 12 of the Freedom of information Act 2000. This is currently 18 hours /£450. Section 12 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the time or cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit as set out above. We have to through over 600 records/files to check if there is any information on Child Criminal Exploitation, each record/ file would take approximately 7 minutes to determine, locate and extract the information held.

We have calculated that it will take approx 70 hours to comply with your request.

Advice and Assistance

We have considered if there is a way to provide the information you have requested, but there is no other way of obtaining this information easily.

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.