

Assurance Group London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 2 December 2019 Our ref: 5796668

Thank you for your request received on 8 November 2019, for the following information:

Dear Sir/Madam.

Under the Freedom of Information Act can I ask for the following information on energy efficiency improvements made to council-owned commercial buildings and housing stock.

### Please could I have information on:

- 1) What energy efficiency improvements have been made by your council to homes in your area in each of the past five years (including both council-owned and privately owned homes)? Please can you break this information down by:
- a) the number of homes that received energy efficiency improvements in each year
- b) how much money was spent in each year on energy efficiency improvements for homes
- c) A brief summary where appropriate of what overall improvements were made
- 2) Please could you provide a breakdown of the Energy Performance Certificate of all commercial properties owned by your local authority. Please could you provide a) the number of commercial properties rated in each category (A-G), and b) state whether any of these have improved in the past five years.

I should prefer to receive these in electronic format at this email address.

It would be helpful if you were to provide any brief notes which might be necessary to understand the context of the information provided, although I recognise that you are not obliged to do this.

If the information requested contains sections of confidential information, please blank out or remove these sections, and mark clearly that they have been removed.

Thank you for your help.

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

### Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnetholds the information you requested.

However, we consider that the following exceptions apply to some of the information requested. The remaining information is not withheld and is attached.

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The list of properties and their dtails is attached. You can search by postcode at the link below for the reports for each property.

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to some of the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible

The information you requested is available at <a href="https://www.ndepcregister.com/">https://www.ndepcregister.com/</a>. If you do not have access to the internet at home, you may be able to use facilities at your local library.

For more details about council housing you would need to contact Barnet Homes.

Housing services (including homelessness, allocations, housing repairs and so forth) are provided by Barnet Homes who are an Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) who manage the council's housing stock and associated services on the council's behalf. They are a public authority under Freedom of Information Act 2000 and so you may make a FOI request to them. Their contact details are:

Email: talk2us@barnethomes.org

Post: The Data Controller

**Barnet Homes** 

2 Bristol Avenue,

Colindale,

London NW9 4EW

#### **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. <a href="http://open.barnet.gov.uk/">http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</a>

# Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>

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: <a href="mailto:foi@barnet.gov.uk">foi@barnet.gov.uk</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.