



Assurance Group
London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
2 January 2020
Our ref: 5891332

Thank you for your request received on 17 December 2019, for the following information:

I am aware that this alert was issued by the Standing Committee on Structural Safety (SCOSS):

<https://www.structural-safety.org/media/667411/scoss-alert-failure-of-raac-planks.pdf> _

It advised on the use of reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) planks and guidance was given for all buildings with these panels to be inspected and any issues to be addressed.

I am writing for the following information to be disclosed:

*** How many council-owned buildings have been inspected to see if reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC) panels are present and if there are any issues with them? Please include any educational facilities where the buildings are owned by the council, even if they are not run by the council (ie academies).**

*** Which buildings have been inspected? Please provide the address and the purpose of the building, eg school, library, community centre, etc.**

*** For each building that's been inspected please provide the findings ' RAAC present, RAAC not present, awaiting results or any other outcome.**

*** What action is being taken on each building where RAAC was found?**

Please provide the information in an Excel spreadsheet, filetype .xls or .csv if possible.

I understand that under the Act, I should be entitled to a response within 20 working days. I would be grateful if you could confirm via email that you have received this request. If obtaining the information I require is likely to incur a fee, then I would also be grateful if you could warn me about this before proceeding.

My preferred method of receiving the information I require is via email

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

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

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This would need to be inspected at the time of construction by Building Control who have not come across this within the applications that they have handled.

As advised previously I would recommend that you also contact it will be held by Barnet Homes as they would hold any information about our housing stock

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

If you are dissatisfied with the response in any way, there is a complaints process which can be found at **Annex A**.

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.

Annex A – Making an appeal

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which your information request has been dealt with you can request an internal review by emailing the Council's Data Protection Officer email: data.protection@barnet.gov.uk (Please quote the reference number above) or by writing to:

The Data Protection Officer

Information Management Team

London Borough of Barnet
North London Business Park
Oakleigh Road South
London N11 1NP

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the review you have a further right of appeal to the Information Commissioner, who regulates the implementation of the Data Protection Act 2018. The Commissioner can be contacted at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

website at www.ico.gov.uk.

Email: casework@ico.org.uk

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Textphone: 01625 545860

Monday to Friday, 9am to 4:30pm

You can also chat online with an advisor.

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