



Assurance Group  
London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,  
London NW9 4EW  
14 January 2020  
Our ref: 5900232

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

**To whom it may concern**

**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with copies of the following:**

- \* A full list of Ltd companies/businesses/charities that have become responsible for paying business rates between to 1st-15th December 2019.**
- \* The full address and postcode**
- \* Type of property**
- \* Date of liability**

**I understand that under the Act I am entitled to a response within 20 working days of your receipt of this request.**

**Some parts of the request may be easier to answer than others. Should this be the case, I request that you release information as soon as possible.**

**If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the act.**

**I will also expect you to release all non-exempt material. I reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any information or to charge excessive fees. I would prefer to receive the information electronically and on an excel spreadsheet.**

**If you require any clarification, I expect you to contact me under your section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance if you find any aspect of this FOI request problematic.**

**Please acknowledge receipt of this request, and I look forward to receiving the information in the near future.**

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

## **Response**

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

However, we believe that the exemptions detailed below apply to some/all the information you requested and so we are withholding that information. Please see

the Refusal Notice below.

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We consider that the absolute exemption set out in Section 21 (Information accessible by other means) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already reasonably accessible elsewhere.

This information is available on our Open Barnet data portal using the following link:

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/businessratesregister>

### **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**

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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications

Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link [www.ico.org.uk](http://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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.