

4 February 2020
Our ref: 5993464

Thank you for your request received on 21 January 2020, for the following information:

Please provide the following information in the form of an Excel document if you can.

1: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of the number of additional sites built for Gypsies and travellers in your area.

2: Does your authority have a Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches?

3: What is the need identified by your authority's Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches, and what period does this GTANA cover?

4: How many sites have been identified by your authority for its up to date 5 year 'supply of specific deliverable sites'?

5: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of many times you have obtained injunctions preventing unauthorised camping.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under your Section 16 obligations, as to how I can refine my request to be included in the scope of the Act.

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below.

1: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of the number of additional sites built for Gypsies and travellers in your area.
None.

2: Does your authority have a Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches?

We have a welfare and needs assessment process for unauthorised encampments.

3: What is the need identified by your authority's Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Need Assessment for new pitches, and what period does this GTANA cover?

None – any person may present themselves for housing support to Barnet Homes and be assessed for their housing needs according to their personal circumstances.

4: How many sites have been identified by your authority for its up to date 5 year 'supply of specific deliverable sites'?

Please see response to Q3 above.

5: A yearly breakdown from 1st January 2015 to 31st December 2019 of many times you have obtained injunctions preventing unauthorised camping.

None.

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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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Your rights

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