



Assurance Group  
London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,  
London NW9 4EW  
27 February 2020  
Our ref: 6081288

Thank you for your request received on 12 February 2020, for the following information:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) I request the following information.**

**1. How many non-statutory public consultations did your council run in the following calendar years:**

- a. 2015**
- b. 2016**
- c. 2017**
- d. 2018**
- e. 2019**

**2. How many non-statutory public meetings did your council host in the following calendar years:**

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- b. 2016**
- c. 2017**
- d. 2018**
- e. 2019**

**To make clear, I am not asking for numbers of consultations which the council is obliged to hold, nor meetings which are obliged to be open to the public. My enquiry is regarding non-mandatory meetings and consultations which the council has chosen to run, for instance with a view to getting a deeper understanding of local people's views on a given issue.**

**Please provide this information in a machine searchable format such as a spreadsheet.**

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

Dear FOI team

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Community Safete Team:

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- a. 2015
- b. 2016           1
- c. 2017
- d. 2018           3
- e. 2019           2

2. How many non-statutory public meetings did your council host in the following calendar years:

- a. 2015
- b. 2016
- c. 2017           1
- d. 2018           7
- e. 2019           7

Governance

1 in 2019

**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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