



2 March 2020  
Our ref: 6047788

Thank you for your request received on 5 February 2020, for the following information:

**Under the FOIA please supply the following information relating to the work of the designated Monitoring Officers of the Council in line with the duties outlined in the council constitution and Sections 5 and 5A of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989 covering the past 5 years**

**The number of investigations carried out**

**The areas of investigation (example: maladministration, contraventions of law, misconduct in office)**

**The number of reports made to the cabinet and or council (citing areas)**

**If none have occurred in the past 5 years, please indicate the date of the last investigation and report and relevant area.**

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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## ***investigation and report and relevant area.***

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.

Reports of the Monitoring Officer in accordance with Section 5 are listed below:

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=174&MID=9854#AI28651>

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=174&MID=9504#AI28017>

There are no Section 5A reports as Barnet operates a Committee System of governance.

## **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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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.

