



Assurance Group
London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
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Our ref: 6123289

Thank you for your request received on 25 February 2020, for the following information:

I viewed this article issued by the council about new lighting being put in place throughout the borough:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/news/new-streetlights-will-save-energy-efficient-council-ps750000-year>

As a resident, I have noticed many new street lights appearing in the area - but they do not appear to be fitted in any particular order. The article states that the lights will be renewed "on a ward-by-ward basis" but I have noticed that on our cluster of residential roads, only three new lights on one end of one road were fitted at first, followed by two more roads getting renewed, and then by January, the new lights had been fitted on all roads in our cluster, except the one we are on. Most, if not all, street lights around us have been upgraded too. However, around the borough I occasionally notice a single existing (non-LED) light fixture in the middle of a line of many new LED fixtures.

I do not seem to be seeing any pattern or consistency in how the lights are being replaced - often clean replacements of entire clusters or sections of road are not taking place, instead I am seeing only a few new lights here and there on some roads, while others have mostly new lights, but with a few exceptions

Hence, what is the Council's rationale and/or timetable for implementing these new lighting fixtures? Could a more detailed plan be made available under the Freedom of Information Act?

**Thank you for taking the time to answer my question.
Please contact me on the email address supplied with any information you can supply.**

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

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The timetable is being controlled and implemented by the council's street lighting service provider responsible for the LED Conversion Project. As such, the only criteria applied by the council was the Ward by Ward approach and a target completion before 2020 year end.

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There really is not a more detailed plan available, as it depends on both design and material availability. The programme, whilst intended to be as efficient and smoothly implemented as possible, will always be reliant on many factors out with the service provider's control. Most of the impediments to progress will be full access to the assets requiring conversion and common restrictions will be vehicle parking and timings.

However, even when roads, or parts of roads, are not successfully completed on the initial visit, they will be returned to and swept up at a later date as the service provider determines.

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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