

4 March 2020 Our ref: 6141488

Thank you for your request received on 26 February 2020, for the following information:

I would like to make the following requests under the Freedom of Information Act.

- 1. How many visits have your Local Authority Officers made to licensed Scrap Metal Dealers in order to enforce the provisions of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 since October 2018?
- 2 How many closure orders have been issued or enforcement actions undertaken by yourselves against scrap metal dealers, both mobile and site-based, since October 2018?

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

1. How many visits have your Local Authority Officers made to licensed Scrap Metal Dealers in order to enforce the provisions of the Scrap Metal Dealers Act 2013 since October 2018?

Unfortunately we do not have a code within our system that would identify how many scrap metal visits were conducted in 2018. Despite not being able to search for 2018 visits on our system I was able to confirm with my officers that no visits were conducted in 2019.

2 How many closure orders have been issued or enforcement actions undertaken by yourselves against scrap metal dealers, both mobile and site-based, since October 2018? –

No closure orders have been issued or enforcement action taken by this authority against scrap metal dealers, both mobile and site-based, since October 2018

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

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link www.ico.org.uk

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Your rights

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