



Assurance Group  
London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,  
London NW9 4EW  
24 March 2020  
Our ref: 6087888

Thank you for your request received on 17 February 2020, for the following information:

**It appears that there are 669 unpaid FPNs from the 2018-19 period that have not been cancelled, and 1,222 unpaid FPNs from the 2019 period that have not been cancelled. Your response explained that none of these 1,891 unpaid and un-cancelled FPNs have been referred for prosecution, and all of them are currently 'under review'.**

**This seems very odd, since your website clearly states that "the Council will prosecute unpaid FPNs" (in bold text) and the language of FPNs themselves makes clear that prosecution will follow if payment is not made.**

**Therefore, in relation to the 'review' process which is taking place in relation to the 1,891 FPNs described above, please disclose the following information:**

- Who requested the review?**
- Who is conducting the review?**
- What are the terms of reference of the review?**
- What is the timescale for the review?**

**If this information is not the same for all 1,891 FPNs, provide all relevant answers (eg, "1,000 FPNs are being reviewed by the Director of Enforcement and 891 FPNs are being reviewed by the Deputy Director").**

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:

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***- Who requested the review?***

Director for Assurance via the Community Safety Team Manager

***- Who is conducting the review?***

Community Safety Team Investigation and Enforcement Officers

***- What are the terms of reference of the review?***

Review of evidence, agree and action further enquires as required, agree and action recommended action

***- What is the timescale for the review?***

Current and ongoing

**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.