



Assurance Group  
London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,  
London NW9 4EW  
29 April 2020  
Our ref: 6272488

Thank you for your request received on 28 April 2020, for the following information:

- 1) How many incidents of illegal dumping of rubbish (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) occurred within the jurisdiction of your authority each year for the last five whole years (i.e. 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019)?**
  - 2) How many incidents of illegal dumping of rubbish (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) occurred within the jurisdiction of your authority have occurred since the beginning of 2020?**
  - 3) How many incidents of illegal dumping of rubbish (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) were reported by the public to your jurisdiction each year for the last five whole years (i.e. 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019)?**
  - 4) How many incidents of illegal dumping of rubbish (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) have been reported by the public to your jurisdiction since the beginning of 2020**
  - 5) What was the cost of clearing illegal dumping (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) to your authority each year for the last five whole years (i.e. 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019)?**
  - 6) What was the cost of clearing illegal dumping (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) to your authority since the beginning of 2020?**
- If information for the last five years is likely to exceed cost limits then please supply information for the last two years.**

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

## **Response**

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we believe that the exceptions 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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5) What was the cost of clearing illegal dumping (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) to your authority each year for the last five whole years (i.e. 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019)?

6) What was the cost of clearing illegal dumping (also commonly known as fly dumping or fly tipping) to your authority since the beginning of 2020?

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Fly tipping removal is not the primary role of the crews that remove them so costs cannot be broken down to that level.

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to questions 1-4 because the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible at:

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset?tag=fly%20tipping>

and:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/roads-and-pavements/road-maintenance/street-care-and-cleaning/report-fly-tipping>

## **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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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.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.