

12 May 2020 Our ref: 6251389

Thank you for your request received on 16 April 2020, for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please supply the following:

1. A list of all Primary, Infant and Junior schools in Barnet and whether they were oversubscribed or not-oversubscribed on national offer day 2020 (16th April).

Please include each school's Unique Reference Number (URN), DFE code, and/or address/postcode to allow us to identify each relevant school without ambiguity.

We define a school to be oversubscribed if, and only if, at least one on-time applicant was refused a place and the applicant did not receive an offer from any higher preference school.

If there were no refusals to on-time applicants - even if the school was unable to accept one or more late applications, or admitted over its published admission number - then we do not consider this school to be oversubscribed.

If you use a different definition of oversubscription, then please make this clear in the response.

2. The total number of places offered at each school.

Questions 3-5 apply to oversubscribed schools identified in question 1 only:

3. The number of on-time applicants refused a place who did not receive a place at any higher preference school.

By this we mean the number of unsuccessful on-time applicants remaining on each school's waiting list. Please answer for each individual school.

- 4. The admission criterion under which the last successful applicant was admitted.
- 5. The home-to-school distance of the last successful applicant, assuming distance was used to allocate this place.

Please include measurement units and whether this is based upon a walking/driving route, straight line/as the crow flies distance or an alternative measurement system.

Please always list all schools within Barnet Local Authority even if you are

unable to provide all the requested information - simply mark the relevant values as 'Not Known'.

Note:

If any of these dates differ - please align to the relevant primary offer/deadline dates for your local authority.

- * Primary National Offer Day ' 16th April 2020.
- * On-time applications ' submitted before 15th January 2020.
- * Late applications 'submitted after 15th January 2020.

Middle deemed Primary schools (if present in your authority) may align with other Primary education provider dates

If you feel that more information is required to interpret your answers to these questions, then please supply this information too.

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

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Please see attached table.

* less than five.

Please note that we have omitted the data where the values are 5 or less as this could reveal the identities of the children. We consider that this information is exempt under section 40 of FOIA. Please see the refusal notice below.

Refusal Notice

Section 40 FOIA sets out an exemption from the right to know if the information requested is personal information protected by the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA).

The DPA which governs the processing of personal data and defines personal data "as any data which relate to a living individual who can be identified from those data, or from those data and other information which is in the possession of, or is likely to come into the possession of, the data controller."

Section 40 (2) FOIA exempts disclosure of information if such disclosure would contravene one of the data protection principles. This exemption is absolute and is not subject to the public interest test.

The first of the data protection principles requires that personal data is processed fairly and lawfully. It is our view that to disclose the withheld information would breach this principle, in particular, the requirement of fairness because the children have a reasonable expectation of privacy and do not expect that their personal information would be released in a response to a freedom of information request.

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

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

Your rights

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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). There is no charge for making an appeal.