



London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
1 July 2020
Our ref: 6351952

Thank you for your request received on 9 June 2020, for the following information:

Two fences have been erected at the end of the council owned Wimbush House. They completely block the tenants path from the rear garden-end fire exit to Westbury Road in the front. The path is the safest and by far the quickest route to the safety of our assembly point in Westbury Road.

Did the Barnet Council Building Control Office or any other council department give its approval for these fences to be erected and to be permanently kept in place?

What is the name of the council officer who approved of them?

Does Barnet Council consider these fences not to put lives at risk in the event of a fire?

Please answer my questions as it will be necessary to hold someone to account if legal action is required if those fences were the cause of a tragic accident which could have been prevented if they were not there

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

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

Housing services (including homelessness, allocations, housing repairs and so forth) are provided by Barnet Homes who are an Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) who manage the council's housing stock and associated services on the council's behalf. They are a public authority under Freedom of Information Act 2000 and so you may make a FOI request to them. Their contact details are:

Email: talk2us@barnethomes.org

Post: The Data Controller

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Thank you for your interest in Barnet Council.

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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Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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.