

1st floor NLBP 6 July 2020 Our ref: 6360352

Thank you for your request received on 8 June 2020, for the following information: In the last financial year (2019/20), how many incidents did your authority record where traffic wardens were assaulted by members of the public while carrying out council duties?

Please give a brief description of the circumstances of each recorded incident.

NOTE: If traffic warden duties are carried out by a third party company hired by the council the information is still HELD by the council, because it is information held on your behalf

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

## Response

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

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Please see the below:

Q1			Q2			Q3			Q4
	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19	Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-
Physical Assault	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	2	0
Verbal Assault	7	1	6	2	4	2	1	0	2

Physical assault is code red and Verbal assault could be the result of Code Yellow or when a Civil Enforcement Officer was prevented from issuing a Penalty Charge Notice.

Descriptions of the incidents are not avaliable.

## **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. <a href="http://open.barnet.gov.uk/">http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</a>

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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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.