

23 July 2020
Our ref: 6425352

Thank you for your request received on 10 July 2020, for the following information:

I am writing with regard to information about your street naming and numbering policy, please treat this as an EIR request or inso far as you think it is not please treat it as an FOI.

1. House Numbering - Do you control/regulate the numbering and naming of all houses in the district or only on certain streets ,or is this policy the responsibility of another authority in your district?

2. Street Naming - Which of the following legislation, or otherwise, do you use to control street naming;

***The Towns Improvement Clauses Act 1847 clause 64
The Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1907 clause 21
The Public Health Act 1925 clauses 17-19***

3. Sign Boards on New Streets - With regards to the cost of putting up street sign boards on new streets, Does the Council pay for the erection of sign boards or does the Council require developers pay for the name boards.

4. Changing Street Names - With regards to changing the existing name of a street:

***If you use The PublicHealth Act 1925 c15 do you put any restriction on the number of people in the street who must approve the name change?
if you use the Public Health Amendments Act 1907 c21 what majority of residents is required to change a name, is a majority of residents also required if the Council plans to change a street name***

5. Council Resolution - Do you have a copy of a resolution of the Council by which it has applied or withdrawn the provision of the Public Health act 1925 c17 -19 (per Local Government Act 1972)

Thank you for your help with this request.

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

1. House Numbering - Do you control/regulate the numbering and naming of all houses in the district or only on certain streets ,or is this policy the responsibility of another authority in your district

The London Borough of Barnet is the Street Naming and Numbering Authority and is the only organisation that can create or change addresses within its boundaries.

2. Street Naming - Which of the following legislation, or otherwise, do you use to control street naming;

The London Building Acts (Amendment) Act 1939, Part II

3. Sign Boards on New Streets - With regards to the cost of putting up street sign boards on new streets, Does the Council pay for the erection of sign boards or does the Council require developers pay for the name boards.

Site Notices for new street names are up by members of staff (in the same way as Planning site notices)

4. Changing Street Names - With regards to changing the existing name of a street:

If you use The PublicHealth Act 1925 c15 do you put any restriction on the number of people in the street who must approve the name change? if you use the Public Health Amendments Act 1907 c21 what majority of residents is required to change a name, is a majority of residents also required if the Council plans to change a street name

Not applicable as we follow the London Building Acts (Amendment) Act 1939, Part II.

5. Council Resolution - Do you have a copy of a resolution of the Council by which it has applied or withdrawn the provision of the Public Health act 1925 c17 -19 (per Local Government Act 1972)

Not applicable as we follow the London Building Acts (Amendment) Act 1939, Part II.

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

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.