

Assurance Group London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 28 July 2020 Our ref: 6462142

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

Can you please provide answers to the following questions relating to Subject Access Requests (SARs)?

- 1. How many SARs have been made to the council in the last 12 months?
- 2. Please provide a breakdown of the specific departments that these SARs relate to?
- 3. Is there a central response to SARs or is it devolved to the departments involved?
- 4. How many staff deal with responses?
- 5. On average how many hours are spent dealing with a SAR?
- 6. Do you have any software to assist with SAR production?

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

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Please see attached.

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- 2 Records and Information Management Officers who work with a number of Link Officers across the council who also manage SARS as part of their wider roles.
- 5. On average how many hours are spent dealing with a SAR?

This information is not held.

6. Do you have any software to assist with SAR production?

iCasework is our case management system.

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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