

20 August 2020
Our ref: 6459940

Thank you for your request received on 22 July 2020, for the following information:

Re: The Council's approval of the building application for extensive additions to 47 Haslemere Avenue

Please provide full details of the notification, under the Freedom of Information Act.

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

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

Planning Permission deals with the appearance of the proposal and the effect it will have on neighbouring properties and the general environment while Building Control deals with the technical and constructional details of building works to ensure the health and safety of people in and around the building. Planning and Building Control are two separate regulatory regimes.

The local planning authority is responsible for determining planning application the extension at 47 Haslemere Avenue.

I can confirm that the attached consultation letter, dated 3 September 2018, was sent, inviting interested parties to comment on the proposed scheme ref: 18/5341/HSE

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/find-and-comment-planning-applications>

Building regulations approval is different from planning permission and there is no public consultation process. Applicants can apply to any local authority building control department or an Approved Inspector (as is the case in this instance) for building regulations approval.

Details of Loft Conversion and Associated Works applications for 47 Haslemere Avenue Barnet EN4 8EU can be found here:

<https://publicaccess.barnet.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do;jsessionid=70E3316D5A36FF6A24E90ADB6535C84D?action=simple&searchType=BuildingControl>

The council is unable to provide further detail in relation to the Building Regulation Application as it considers them to be exempt under section Regulation 13 the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. That being the personal data of a third party.

Refusal Notice

[Part 1 of Schedule 19](#) of the Data Protection Act 2018 amends the personal data exception Regulation 13 of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. These are consequential amendments designed to ensure that the correct provisions of the GDPR and the new Act are referenced instead of the now repealed DPA 1998. They will not fundamentally impact when personal data can, and cannot, be disclosed in response to an EIR request.

We consider the information is subject to Regulation 13 because to release it would be a breach of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal Information is governed by the Data Protection legislation and is defined as any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'). It adds that: an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location number, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

The withheld information is exempt because disclosure would contravene the first data protection principle which requires that personal data is processed fairly and lawfully. Disclosure of the requested information would breach this principle and in particular the requirement of fairness.

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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