



Assurance Group  
London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale,  
London NW9 4EW  
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Our ref: 6538700

Thank you for your request received on 27 August 2020, for the information below.

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

## Response

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

However, we consider that the following exemptions apply to some of the information requested. The remaining information is not withheld and is below.

***Under FOI provisions I ask (where I ask for numbers the nearest 1000 is sufficient precision) a) does the authority have an arrangement with Greenwich Leisure Ltd a mutual society with: registration number: IP27793R registered address: Middlegate House, 1 Seymour Street, The Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, SE18 6SX***

***if the answer is negative the following question do not apply. b) what is the population size of the authority?***

We consider that the absolute exemption set out in Section 21 (Information accessible by other means) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already reasonably accessible elsewhere. Please see:

<https://jsna.barnet.gov.uk/1-demography>

***c) in 2019 (or 2018 if the figures for 2019) how many users used the authority's leisure services managed by the contractor?***

1.2 million attendances recorded from April 2019 to March 2020

***d) approximately how many users used leisure services not managed by the contractor (I am thinking non leisure centre weekend football etc)***

This question is too broad to provide a response. There are a multitude of activities etc that are delivered by a range of providers across Barnet.

The Council provides sports lettings for football, rugby, cricket and other activities. These activities delivered directly by the respective booking (eg school, club, charity) and have a varying number of participants per activity.

**d) for 2018/19 (or 2018/19 if the 2018/19 authority accounts are not published) what is i the total authority revenue –**

We consider that the absolute exemption set out in Section 21 (Information accessible by other means) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already reasonably accessible elsewhere. The council publishes its budgets and expenditure at:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/your-council/finance-funding-and-pensions>

I would propose reference to the Budget Report for the year in question that is presented to P&R/Full Council ii the total authority expenditure - this will need to be provided by finance. iii the income received for leisure services (this is the income received from leisure services that are not managed by the contractor)? - £0 iv the cost of providing those services (e.g. maintaining football pitches) this cost Centre is within 'greenspaces' not leisure services.

The grounds maintenance budget does not aggregate per site, rather the total to manage the portfolio. v the financial impact to the authority of the management arrangement with Greenwich Leisure Ltd ' i.e. quantify the amount that the management arrangement generates income or is an expense ) –For the period 2018/19 the Council made a payment to GLL of £396,237.91.

(the contract with GLL provides an average annual payment fee throughout the contract duration, the fee is profiled).

Please see: <https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/2yzqv/leisure-operating-contract-201728>

**vi does Greenwich Leisure Ltd provide any services outside the management arrangement (if yes please detail the financial impact as per the above analysis)**

We consider that the absolute exemption set out in Section 21 (Information accessible by other means) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already reasonably accessible elsewhere.

LBB has a contract in place with GLL to provide management and operation services for Barnet leisure facilities (2018-2028). Please see:

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/2yzqv/leisure-operating-contract-201728>

Leisure centres have been closed for several months in 2020 due to the pandemic. Although some of the leisure centre services have re-opened in the last few weeks the number of users is managed in order to de-risk spreading covid 19.

**e) will the authority be compensating Greenwich Leisure Ltd for loss of income during closure and if so by what amount?**

The Councils leisure management contract outlines the Authority and Contractor responsibilities, referring to the approach of treatment in terms of loss of revenue. The value of any grant for supplier remains under review.

**f) will the authority be paying the contractor any additional monies not provided by the terms of the contract**

No

***g) if providing compensation what is the justification (e.g. a force majeure clause in the contract) – the Councils leisure management contract outlines the Authority and Contractor responsibilities. Information can be found via (XX insert link to Open Data Portal).***

N/A

***g) please provide any other information that the authority considers relevant (for example, on a scale of 1 'bad to 5 'very satisfactory how would the authority rate the partnership with Greenwich Leisure Ltd with reference to 'Best Value Statutory Guidance' ;***

***I anticipate that the authority will rely on the commercially sensitive exclusion which I would not challenge through the Information Commissioner but provide the example as a possible guide –***

The partnership is managed under the terms of the contract and framework agreement. Please see:

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/2yzqv/leisure-operating-contract-201728>

### **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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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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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 [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.

