



London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London NW9 4EW
5 October 2020
Our ref: 6565528

Thank you for your request received on 8 September 2020, for the following information:

Dear London Borough of Barnet,

- 1. Does your council currently deploy programmes which use artificial intelligence, machine learning or predictive analytics for the purpose of recruitment in any area of council work? If yes:**
- a. Please specify the programme(s) used and the provider/manufacturer/developer.**
 - b. What area(s) of council work are these systems being used for?**
 - c. How long have they been in use? How long are they planned to be in use for?**

If no:

- 2. Does your council have any plans to deploy programmes which use artificial intelligence, machine learning or predictive analytics for the purpose of recruitment in future? Please state when this might be and provide any supporting materials.**

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

1. Does your council currently deploy programmes which use artificial intelligence, machine learning or predictive analytics for the purpose of recruitment in any area of council work?

No

If yes:

- a. Please specify the programme(s) used and the provider/manufacturer/developer.***
- b. What area(s) of council work are these systems being used for?***
- c. How long have they been in use? How long are they planned to be in use for?***

If no:

2. Does your council have any plans to deploy programmes which use artificial intelligence, machine learning or predictive analytics for the purpose of recruitment in future? Please state when this might be and provide any supporting materials.

No not aware of any projects in the pipeline.

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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