



RE Highways Network Management,  
Colindale Offices,  
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW  
21 October 2020  
Our ref: 6626060

Thank you for your request received on 23 September 2020, for the following information:

**Despite good weather there are not been much progress in the works. For example, they dug our payment, put some dry concrete mix and have ont worked on the pavement for at least 4 days. Some days they work half days and others not at all. Sometimes on the weekend.**

**This lead me to ask you:**

- 1. Is this contract properly managed by the Council? .**
- 2. Is it a fixed price contract with penalties for delays?**
- 3. Will you be compensating residents for unnecessary inconvenience?**
- 4. Was the contract competitively tendered to provide value for money for Council taxpayers?**
- 5. When the contract is completed can you email the final account for this contract please.**

**I also note the paragraph highlighted in yellow above and it seems with the works done so far and similar works in other parts of the Borough during 2020, the revised change in policy has not been followed up? Is this change approved by the Council? If you require photographic evidence, I can supply it.**

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

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The contract is managed by Re highways as the Management Agent for Barnet

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/e659v/regional-enterprise-ltd-re-contract>

- 2. Is it a fixed price contract with penalties for delays?**

Contravention of the Traffic Management Act 2004 penalties can be levied. There is no provision in the contract to apply penalties for work delays.

**3. Will you be compensating residents for unnecessary inconvenience?**

All residents can apply in writing to make a legitimate claim for compensation directly to Barnet Insurance.

**4. Was the contract competitively tendered to provide value for money for Council taxpayers?**

London Highways Alliance Contract was developed and let following Tender procurement process which was produced and arranged by Transport for London (TfL) to achieve economies of scale across London

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieDecisionDetails.aspx?Id=4812>

**5. When the contract is completed can you email the final account for this contract please**

Finance team hold details of total remittance accounts paid per year to Conway Aecom.

All payments made towards to Conway Aecom under the contract can be viewed here:

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/2z8zk/expenditure-reporting-202021>

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/exole/expenditure-reporting-201920>

<https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset/emjme/expenditure-reporting-201819>

***I also note the paragraph below it seems with the works done so far and similar works in other parts of the Borough during 2020, the revised change in policy has not been followed up? Is this change approved by the Council?***

***With regards to your paragraph below:***

***Upon Reviewing the planned works report it has been notice that they is no boundary wall, it is essential that an appropriate boundary wall is provided to the remainder of the frontage. This is required both to prevent illegal use of the pavement by vehicles and to maintain the appearance of the street. construction of a suitable boundary will be needed before the crossover can be registered.***

The Vehicle Crossover policy was approved by Environment Committee on 13 September 2018

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s48395/Draft%20Barnet%20Domestic%20Crossover%20Policy.pdf>

This sets out the requirements for crossovers.

**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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