

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW 16 November 2020 Our ref: 6733148

Thank you for your request received on 26 October 2020, for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to know the following:

1. A breakdown of how many fines were issued to parents due to their children missing school for every month between October 2019 and September 2020.

2. A breakdown of the amount in fines issued to parents due to their children missing school for every month between October 2019 and September 2020 in pounds (\pounds).

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

1. A breakdown of how many fines were issued to parents due to their children missing school for every month between October 2019 and September 2020.

October 2019 - 227

November 2019 - 220

December 2019 - 203

January 2020 – 171

February 2020 - 329

March 2020 - 50

April 2020 to September 2020 there have been no fines issued.

2. A breakdown of the amount in fines issued to parents due to their children missing school for every month between October 2019 and September 2020 in pounds (\pounds).

October - £24,840

November - £25, 320

December - £21, 780

January - £19, 500

February - £36,060

March - £ 5,400

April – September has resulted in £0

Please note that these figures are for all fines issued and the amounts attached, it does not included fines that have been later cancelled or withdrawn.

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. <u>http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</u>

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Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: <u>foi@barnet.gov.uk</u>. Or by post to Information Management Team (FOI) London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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). There is no charge for making an appeal.