

20 January 2021 Our ref: 6903716

Thank you for your request received on 31 December 2020, for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act I would like to ask for statistics on the following:

- 1. How many cremations did your crematorium(s) perform in 2020?
- 2. How many of these cremations opted not to hold a service (also known as direct cremations) at your crematoria in 2020?
- 3. What is your current price for a standard funeral with a service held at Midday on a weekday including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)?
- 4. How many minutes long is this service allotted as standard?
- 5. What is your current price for a direct cremation with no service including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)?
- 6. Do you charge any fees in addition to the standard cremation fee such as environmental fees, medical referee fees, improvement fund fees? If so, how much are these?
- 7. Do you currently fine those who overrun their allotted service times? If so, how much are fines and what was the total sum of fines in 2020?
- 8. Do you currently or are you considering running the local authority's own funeral service?
- 9. What was the surplus/loss for crematorium and/or cemetery operations during the last fiscal year? Please break these down into separate figures for crematoria and cemeteries if available.

If the decision is made to withhold some of this data using exemptions in the Data Protection Act, please inform me of that fact and cite the exemptions used.

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

Response

1. How many cremations did your crematorium(s) perform in 2020?

1613

2. How many of these cremations opted not to hold a service (also known as direct cremations) at your crematoria in 2020?

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3. What is your current price for a standard funeral with a service held at Midday on a weekday including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)?

£774

4. How many minutes long is this service allotted as standard?

60 slot with 45 minutes for the service

5. What is your current price for a direct cremation with no service including all relevant charges (environmental fee/medical referee fee/etc)?

£314

6. Do you charge any fees in addition to the standard cremation fee such as environmental fees, medical referee fees, improvement fund fees? If so, how much are these?

No additional fees

7. Do you currently fine those who overrun their allotted service times? If so, how much are fines and what was the total sum of fines in 2020?

No

8. Do you currently or are you considering running the local authority's own funeral service?

No

9. What was the surplus/loss for crematorium and/or cemetery operations during the last fiscal year? Please break these down into separate figures for crematoria and cemeteries if available.

Not available

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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