

2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW 16 February 2021 Our ref: 6948980

Thank you for your request received on 20 January 2021, for the following information:

- 1. How many people are estimated to be eligible for council tax reductions (including those who already receive council tax reductions) in your borough currently? (Can you also give me this figure as a percentage of the total number of residents in the borough)
- 2. How many people currently receive council tax reductions in your borough? (Can you also give me this figure as a percentage of the total number of residents in the borough)

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and although we hold some of the information requested, some is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

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Information not held.

2. How many people currently receive council tax reductions in your borough? (Can you also give me this figure as a percentage of the total number of residents in the borough)

Please note that the data provided is based on the number of households not residents.

Council Tax Exemptions: 3,538 Council Tax Discounts: 50,244

There are currently 154,866 households within the London Borough of Barnet.

The percentage of these that are receiving a reduction is 34.7%.

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/

Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

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For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

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: foi@barnet.gov.uk. 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.