

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 18 February 2021 Our ref: 7009368

Thank you for your request received on 10 February 2021, for the following information:

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If the department is internal:

How many staff were employed in the IT department?

What was the total amount spent on training and development for the department?

Of that amount, how much was spent on training from third party software suppliers, providing systems to the authority?

Many thanks in advance, I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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

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The council has outsourced its IT provision to Capita and training is covered by this overarching contract. The contract can be accessed at http://open.barnet.gov.uk.

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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