

22 March 2021 Our ref: 7056224

Thank you for your request received on 23 February 2021, for the following information:

I am writing to make a request for all the information to which I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please kindly confirm the below:

- * What was your average cost for financial year 2019 for adults and children transport services?
- * What was your average cost for financial year 2020 for adults and children transport services (as financial year 2020 is not over yet please provide us with cost you are up to for financial year 2020 currently)?

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I would like the above information to be provided to me in an email.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me via email. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

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

Response

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

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The spend for 2019/20 for SEND children's transport was £4.6m The spend for 2019/20 for Adults transport was £1.053m

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The spend for 2020 (to Dec) for SEND Children's transport is £3.4m The Spend for 2020 / to date for Adults transport is £0.812m

These figures are not split into any further sub categories.

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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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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.