



2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale, NW9 4EW  
24 March 2021  
Our ref: 7089453

Thank you for your request received on 5 March 2021, for the following information:

**Could you please provide, for the previous 24 months, the contract mobile phone bills claimed under expenses. Ideally on a monthly basis, but a yearly basis would also be okay.**

**I would like these amounts listed individually with personnel information omitted obviously. For Example:**

**Ref monthly cost Boku Payments**

**1 23 10  
2 45 20  
3 65.34 0**

**Boku is a payment processor that uses a phone pay as you go credit, or adds to the monthly bill.#**

**If my the cost of this exceeds the limit, please reduce it to the last 12 months,**

**If This again exceeds the limit please only include the highest bills.**

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

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Barnet Council does not pay contract monthly phone expenses. If someone requires a phone for work use they are provided with a work mobile and the expenses are paid directly by the Local Authority. We would only pay for personal mobile expenses in excess of contract and would not expect staff to take out work contracts which we reimburse them for.

### **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**

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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

**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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.