

29 March 2021  
Our ref: 7067256

Thank you for your request received on 26 February 2021, for the following information:

- 1) How many potholes were reported in 2018?
- 2) How many potholes were reported in 2019?
- 3) How many potholes were reported in 2020?
- 4) How many potholes were repaired in 2018?
- 5) How many potholes were repaired in 2019?
- 6) How many potholes were repaired in 2020?
- 7) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2018?
- 8) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2019?
- 9) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2020?
- 10) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2018?
- 11) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2019?
- 12) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2020?
- 13) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2018?
- 14) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2019?
- 15) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2020?
- 16) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2018?
- 17) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2019?
- 18) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2020?
- 19) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2018?
- 20) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2019?
- 21) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2020?
- 22) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2018?
- 23) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2019?
- 24) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2020?
- 25) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2018?
- 26) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2019?
- 27) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2020?

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

## **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 because some of the requested data is not recorded.

We have provided answers to your request below showing where we do not hold the information requested.

***1) How many potholes were reported in 2018?***

***2) How many potholes were reported in 2019?***

***3) How many potholes were reported in 2020?***

2017/18 - 2131

2018/19 - 2077

2019/20 - 2957

***4) How many potholes were repaired in 2018?***

***5) How many potholes were repaired in 2019?***

***6) How many potholes were repaired in 2020?***

2017/18 – 2129 / 2118

2018/19 – 2078 / 1778

2019/20 – Still awaiting data

***7) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2018?***

431

***8) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2019?***

173

***9) How many pothole compensation claims were received in 2020?***

187

***10) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2018?***

170

***11) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2019?***

83

***12) How many pothole compensation claims were paid out in 2020?***

**13) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2018?**

125

**14) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2019?**

44

**15) How many pothole compensation claims were rejected in 2020?**

65

**16) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2018?**

£66,410.20

**17) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2019?**

£28,427.64

**18) How much did the council pay out for pothole inflicted compensation claims in 2020?**

£26,804.89

**19) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2018?**

**20) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2019?**

**21) What was the budget for repairing potholes in 2020?**

Please note, the below is not specific to potholes.

2018/19            £1,864,152.50

2019/20            £1,911,738.82

2020/21            £1,947,870.68

**22) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2018?**

**23) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2019?**

**24) How much did the council spend on repairing potholes in 2020?**

2017/18 - £984,866.62

2018/19 - £1,864,152.50

2019/20 - £1,911,738.82

- 25) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2018?**  
**26) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2019?**  
**27) How many hours were spent on repairing potholes in 2020?**

We do not hold data on how many hours were spent repairing potholes.

### **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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