



London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale, NW9 4EW  
13 April 2021  
Our ref: 7122645

Thank you for your request received on 11 March 2021, for the following information:

- 1. The council's forecast (or actual, if available - please specify) outturn on its High Needs Block budget in 2020/21, prior to transfers to and from other budgets**
- 2. The council's forecast (or actual, if available - please specify) outturn on its Dedicated Schools Grant budget in 2020/21, prior to transfers to and from other budgets**
- 3. Please list any council proposals or policies to reduce High Needs Block costs and/or overspends. Please enclose any HNB or DSG deficit reduction plan**
- 4. How many new EHCPs has the council issued in 2020/21, excluding 'exception cases' where the 20-week deadline does not apply?**
- 5. Of the new EHCPs listed in response to question 4, how many were issued within the 20-week deadline?**
- 6. How many new EHCPs has the council issued in 2020/21, including (but not limited to) 'exception cases'?**
- 7. Of the new EHCPs listed in response to question 6, how many were issued within 20 weeks?**
- 8. How many applications for new EHCPs does the council currently have pending - i.e. an EHCP has not yet been issued and the application has not been rejected?**
- 9. Of the applications referred to in response to question 8, how many are currently over the 20-week deadline (including exception cases where 20 weeks is not a deadline)?**
- 10. Of the applications referred to in response to question 8, how many are not currently viewed as 'exception cases'?**
- 11. Of the applications referred to in response to question 9 (i.e. excluding 'exception cases'), how many are currently over the 20-week deadline?**

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

## **Response**

The council holds the information requested and it is attached.

## **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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