

19 April 2021 Our ref: 7214552

Thank you for your request received on 13 April 2021, for the following information: I am aware that some of the following information is available via the council's website, however, what is there doesn't cover the whole of the period I'm interested in (January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020), so under the Freedom of Information Act, could you please provide the following information for the rest of the period.

Please provide information about each funeral arranged by the council between August 1 2020 and December 31 2020, where possible including name, date of birth, date of death, age, cost to the authority, whether next of kin are known, and value of estate.

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

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we believe that the exemptions detailed below apply to some/all the information you requested and so we are withholding that information. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

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We consider that the absolute exemption set out in Section 21 (Information accessible by other means) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already reasonably accessible elsewhere. Published data starts from 2014/15 to 2020/21.

Datasets - Barnet Open Data

Copy and paste the following link.

https://open.barnet.gov.uk/dataset?topic=health-and-social-care&g=public%20health%20funerals

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

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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. 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). There is no charge for making an appeal.