



London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale, NW9 4EW
29 April 2021
Our ref: 7247244

Thank you for your request received on 22 April 2021, for the following information:

Dear Sir/Madam,

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. My request relates to Barnet council's funding for placements in independent special schools for pupils with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), Social, Emotional & Mental Health needs, (SEMH) and Autism (ASC).

My request refers to pupils with Education, Health, and Care Plans (EHCP) that are given council-funded placements in independent special schools approved under Section 41 of the Children and Families Act 2014. My request refers to independent special schools that operate as day schools, residential schools, and children's homes for pupils under the age of 25. My request is referring to all independent special schools that Barnet council funds placements for, and is not restricted to schools in the London borough of Barnet.

For 1st September 2019 to the day this request is processed, I would like to find out the number of pupils that have been given Barnet council-funded placements in independent special schools. For each individual placement, please provide the following:

- The total cost of the placement (by cost I mean the amount charged per placement by each company)**
- The name of the school where the pupil is placed**

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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