

29 April 2021
Our ref: 7048992

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

- 1) What is the overall case rate and close contact rate for the borough?
- 2) What proportion of the national Test and Trace figure for the borough this represents?
- 3) How much funding the Government has provided to the council to support local health teams contact tracing efforts?
- 4) How much has the council spent from their normal budget on local contact tracing efforts?

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:-

1) What is the overall case rate and close contact rate for the borough?

The Overall percentages for Barnet from the national T&T data are:

Cases who provide details of contacts – 85.6%

Contacts who are asked to self-isolate – 93.7%

2) What proportion of the national Test and Trace figure for the borough this represents?

These are broadly similar to the national and London average.

3) How much funding the Government has provided to the council to support local health teams contact tracing efforts?

The government has not provided separate funding to support local health teams contact tracing efforts. Barnet have used funding from the Contained Framework funding to support the local service.

4) How much has the council spent from their normal budget on local contact tracing efforts?

Barnet have not spent money from their normal budget to support the local contact tracing service. Members of the public health team have spent time supporting contact tracing within complex settings but the cost of this use of staff time cannot be separately identified.

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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