



London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue  
Colindale , NW9 4EW  
12 May 2021  
Our ref: 7245244

Thank you for your request received on 14 April 2021, for the following information:

**Homelessness**

- 1. The number of households who were initially assessed for eligibility for homelessness support each month in January, February and March 2021 (regardless of the outcome of that assessment)**
- 2. The number of households in question 1 who were assessed as owed the prevention duty, each month in January, February and March 2021**
- 3. The number of households in question 1 who were assessed as owed the relief duty as the outcome of their initial assessment (i.e. not at the end of their prevention duty), each month in January, February and March 2021**
- 4. The number of households who were assessed as owed the main housing duty between January and March 2021 inclusive (NB this will include households whose initial assessment was prior to January 2021; question 4 is not limited to those households covered in the question 1 response)**
- 5. The number of households who were owed the relief duty, between January and March 2021 inclusive, at the end of their prevention duty (NB this will include households whose initial assessment was prior to January 2021; accordingly, question 5 is not limited to those households covered in the question 1 response)**

**DHP applications**

- 15. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how much was awarded in Discretionary Housing Payments that month (monetary value)**
- 16. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how much was awarded in DHPs that month based on the impact on the claimant of the benefit cap (monetary value)**
- 17. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how many new awards of DHPs were made that month (numerical value, not monetary value)**
- 18. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how many new awards of DHPs were made that month where the award was based on the impact on the claimant of the benefit cap (numerical value, not monetary value)**

**NRPF**

- 19. Please state how many applications for homelessness support since 1st April 2020 have been rejected due to the applicant being ineligible for public funds under No Recourse to Public Funds rules - this is an overall figure, not a monthly one**

**If the information for any question - particularly question 19 - cannot be sourced within the section 12 cost limit, please mark that question 'information not held' and respond to the rest of the request.**

Where the council was formed in April 2021, please provide figures for the predecessor council(s).  
Please provide the requested information in the Excel spreadsheet provided, ignoring the spaces for questions 6-14.

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

## **Response**

As previously advised in our acknowledgement email, question 1 to 5 and 19, should be sent to Barnet Homes.

The council holds the information requested in questions 15 to 18 and the answers to your questions are below & attached.

***15. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how much was awarded in Discretionary Housing Payments that month (monetary value)***

Jan 21 - £177,766.77  
Feb 21 - £314,925.17  
Mar 21 - £288,199.34  
Apr 21 - £147,714.15

***16. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how much was awarded in DHPs that month based on the impact on the claimant of the benefit cap (monetary value)***

Jan 21 - £47,696.00  
Feb 21 - £31,374.39  
Mar 21 - £38,725.08  
Apr 21 - £30,778.59

***17. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how many new awards of DHPs were made that month (numerical value, not monetary value)***

Jan 21 - 82  
Feb 21 - 95  
Mar 21 - 115  
Apr 21 - 76

***18. For each month since January 2021 (inclusive), please state how many new awards of DHPs were made that month where the award was based on the impact on the claimant of the benefit cap (numerical value, not monetary value) NRPF***

Jan 21 - 25  
Feb 21 - 13  
Mar 21 - 21  
Apr 21 - 19

## **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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