



London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale, NW9 4EW
24 May 2021
Our ref: 7305060

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

FOI request. Children missing from education (CME). Children in Need (CIN). Pre and post pandemic?

Please could you provide me with the following data;

1. The numbers of young people classified as CME* in your Local Authority Area - (Children Missing from Education) on (or closest date to):

a) 30th April 2021

b) 5th March 2020

c) 5th March 2019

2. What proportion of those CME were known to social services or classified as Children in Need (CIN)? Please provide the data on (or closest date to)**

a) 29th April 2021

b) 5th March 2020

c) 5th March 2019

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. The numbers of young people classified as CME* in your Local Authority Area - (Children Missing from Education) on (or closest date to):

a) 30th April 2021 There were 33 open cases classified as CME

b) 5th March 2020 There were 20 open cases classified as CME

c) 5th March 2019 There were 10 open cases classified as CME

2. What proportion of those CME were known to social services or classified as Children in Need (CIN)? Please provide the data on (or closest date to)**

a) 29th April 2021 1 child was known to Social Care

b) 5th March 2020 2 children were known to Social Care

c) 5th March 2019 1 child was CIN

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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