

9 August 2021
Our ref: 7544176

Thank you for your request received on 6 August 2021, for the following information:

I would be grateful if you could please provide the following information via email under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. How many applications for planning permission for residential properties were received/have been received for a) extensions, b) basements, c) loft conversions, d) conservatories and e) other in 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date. Please give data separately, broken down by calendar year.

If you do not hold the data broken down by the different types of home improvements as listed above, please provide the following:

2. How many applications for planning permission for residential properties were received/have been received in 2019, 2020 and 2021 to date. Please give data separately, broken down by calendar year.

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested. However, we consider that the following exceptions apply to some of the information requested.

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible.

The information you requested is available on our website using the following link - <https://publicaccess.barnet.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=advanced>

All planning data is already available online. You can search individually for this information on our website adding '*a) extensions, b) basements, c) loft conversions, d) conservatories*' to the description keyword field under advanced search and selecting the date range you wish to search, details of permission granted or refused will be on each case record:

Unfortunately we cannot break down the information any further by searching for *a) extensions, b) basements, c) loft conversions, d) conservatories* as this search will

bring up any application with that wording. This will have to be searched on each individual application.

You are also able to search for Residential applications monthly and yearly on the advance search on the above link.

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

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link www.ico.org.uk

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

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.