

London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 14 September 2021 Our ref: 7568564

Thank you for your request received on 16 August 2021, for the following information:

Which Councillor(s) have oversight of the team at Barnet homes that purchased 129 Hamilton Road and is applying for a change of use of the property?

I understand from a previous FOI request that Barnet Planning Authority were aware of Barnet Homes' plans to purchase 129 Hamilton Road in November 2020. Please can I see all emails between Barnet Homes and Barnet Planning authority since 1 November 2020?

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. The remaining information is not withheld and is below/attached.

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The LAP [London Accommodation Pathfinder] is a London wide project which in Barnet comes under the portfolio of Cllr Longstaff.

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Please find attached

R6(1)(b) - Material already published

We consider that Regulation 6(1)(b) applies to the information requested because the information requested is already publicly available and easily accessible. Under regulation 6(1)(b) of EIR, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you by other means. The information relevant to your request is published online at the following link under ref: 20/6220/191 129 Hamilton Road, London NW11 9EG:

www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/find-and-comment-planning-applications

R13 - Personal data

We have also redacted the names of individuals by virtue of Regulation 13 of the Environmental Information regulations 2004, as disclosure of this information to the public generally, in the Council's view, would not be consistent with the data protection principle found in Article 5.1(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) lawfully, transparently and fairly. We have considered whether disclosure is lawful and fair and whilst it may be lawful under Article 6.1(f) GDPR (legitimate interests) it would not be fair to the individuals concerned who would not expect the names of junior employees to be disclosed as part of such a request. We consider that regulation 13 (Personal information) applies to the information requested. Therefore, we have decided to withhold the information.

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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