

London Borough of Barnet
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Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
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Our ref: 7705312

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

Please advise how many prosecutions have been taken by each of the following regulatory departments, Environmental Health, Building Control, Planning and Trading Standards since 1st October 2013

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 believe that the exceptions detailed below apply to some of this information and this is withheld.

Please see the Refusal Notice below.

Trading Standards

4 prosecutions

Building Control

0 prosecutions

Environmental Health

With respect to this request for information, We can report that since 2013, the number of prosecutions taken by the Private Sector Housing Team is represented in the table below.

Because the question is silent on how the information is to be reported, We have answered it with reference to the 3 different criteria as shown in the table below.

No. of prosecutions by defendant	37
No of prosecutions by premises	26
No. of offences prosecuted ¹	Approx. 50

The figure shown here includes breaches of The Management of Houses in Multiple Occupation (England) Regulations 2006 as a single number but not the number of offences spread across those cases.

Each breach of these regulations is an offence. The figure does not include the total number offences spread across all of the defendants but rather number of offences by premises only.

Planning Enforcement

R6(1)(b) - Material already published

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:

[Live tables on planning application statistics - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/live-tables-on-planning-application-statistics)

See Table P130: District planning authorities: enforcement action, by local planning authority

England, Year ending June 2021

Historic data for earlier years can also be found on the website.

Table P130: District planning authorities¹: enforcement action, by local planning authority.

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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