

London Borough of Barnet
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Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
16 May 2022
Our ref: 8262833

Thank you for your request received on 10 May 2022, for the following information:

To whom it may concern,

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I would like to know how much money the council allocates to LGBTQ+ people every year and on what projects or resources the money is spent on. I would like to know about the last three years.

For each project or resource, I would like a brief description to understand what they are. If the project or resource is targeting a specific LGBTQ+ group (transgender people, queer people of colour etc.), I would like to know.

I would like to receive this information in an electronic format. If you feel that a substantive response to this request is not possible within a reasonable time frame, I would be grateful if you could contact me and provide assistance as to how I can refine the request. If you need any clarification, please contact me. I look forward to receiving a response in 20 working days. Many thanks.

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.

As a council we have just set out our new Equality, Diversity and Inclusion action plan - within this there is provision for training across all protected characteristics including sexuality.

£2500 has been spent on LGBTQ+ funding which is a budget for the LGBTQ+ network.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.barnet.gov.uk/your-council/policies-plans-and-performance/equality-and-diversity>

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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