London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW 17 May 2022 Our ref: 8277728

Thank you for your request received on 16 May 2022, for the following information:

#### Hi Barnet.

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

- How many companies in your local authority have been found guilty of being in breach of data security regulations each year, over the last five years? Please provide this data for the period between 1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021, broken down year by year.
- o Please can you provide a breakdown of these companies and identify:
- □ the number of employees in each business
- □ the turnover figures for each business, each year, over the last five years (1 January 2017 to 31 December 2021).
- For the companies that were reprimanded for a data breach within this time period, please provide a breakdown of the ways in which they were reprimanded and the decisions made at their court case.
- o How many of these companies faced financial penalties? Please provide the financial breakdown of this.
- o How many of these companies were found not guilty once the case went to court? Please share a list of these companies.

If this data is not available for the full time period specified (1 January 2017 - 31 December 2021), please share the most up-to-date information possible. If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined, please provide further advice and assistance.

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

### Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

The ICO may hold this information and you can contact them via;

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website www.ico.org.uk).



#### **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. <a href="http://open.barnet.gov.uk/">http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</a>

# **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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>

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: <a href="mailto:foi@barnet.gov.uk">foi@barnet.gov.uk</a>. Or by post to Records & Information Management Service, Assurance Group, 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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.