

London Borough of Barnet  
2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale NW9 4EW  
24 May 2022  
Our ref: 8293933

Thank you for your request received on 25 April 2022, for the following information:

**Please can you provide me with the data for the following questions:**

- 1. How many children social workers does your borough employ?**
- 2. How many children have an allocated social worker in your borough?**
- 3. How many children in your borough are on a CP (Child Protection) plan?**
- 4. How many children in your borough are on a CIN (Child In Need) plan?**
- 5. What is a social worker's average case load in your borough?**
- 6. What is the current Ofsted rating for your boroughs children's services?**

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

## **Response**

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we believe that the exemptions detailed below apply to some/all of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

***Please can you provide me with the data for the following questions:***

- 1. How many children social workers does your borough employ?***

186.5 directly employed children social workers

- 2. How many children have an allocated social worker in your borough?***
- 3. How many children in your borough are on a CP (Child Protection) plan?***
- 4. How many children in your borough are on a CIN (Child In Need) plan?***
- 5. What is a social worker's average case load in your borough?***

Department for Education, Children in Need Census <https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics/characteristics-of-children-in-need>

- 6. What is the current Ofsted rating for your boroughs children's services?***

Good, see full report here <https://files.ofsted.gov.uk/v1/file/50088889>

## Refusal Notice

### **S21 - Material already published**

Under section 21 of the Act, 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 links listed above

### **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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