London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

> 30 May 2022 Our ref: 8256930

Thank you for your request received on 3 May 2022, for the following information:

This request is made under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and Environmental Information Regulations and is submitted on behalf of Friern Barnet & Whetstone Residents' Association.

This request relates to the Council's required specifications for paints used for road markings within the Borough.

Please provide copies of the relevant specifications-

- 1. currently applicable; and
- 2. if different, applicable as at 01 May 2017 and 01 May 2012

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

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Thermoplastic road markings must conform to British Standard EN 1871:2000 standard: Road Marking Materials.



Refusal Notice

R12(5)(c) – Intellectual Property Rights

We may refuse to disclose information that would adversely affect intellectual property rights (e.g. patents). The fact that copyright in the information may be held by a 3rd party does not create an exception.

Public Interest Test

In applying this exemption, we have had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the interest in favour of disclosure.

Factors in favour of disclosing the information

- The general proposition of maximising openness that the EIR and the Council aspire to;
- The benefits of ensuring transparent and accountable government by disclosing how the Council receives and spends public money;

Factors in favour of maintaining the exception

 adversely affect commercial interests and intellectual property rights of British Standards Institute (BSI) who allow licensed vendors to charge commercially for copies of the standard.

<u>British Standards Online (BSOL) - Standards Management System | BSI (bsigroup.com)</u>

2. if different, applicable as at 01 May 2017 and 01 May 2012

N/A, same standard applied for this period as now.

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/

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 www.ico.org.uk

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: foi@barnet.gov.uk. 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 www.ico.org.uk). There is no charge for making an appeal.