

London Borough of Barnet  
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Colindale,  
NW9 4EW

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Our ref: 8255042

Thank you for your request received on 4 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.**

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**This request relates to the Council's criteria for setting the schedule for considering, approving and timetabling the implementation of measures to reduce risk/increase highway safety -**

**A. for vehicular traffic (including the imposition of 20 m.p.h. speed restrictions other than in proximity to schools;**

**B. for cyclists;**

**C. for pedestrians ( including provision and upgrading of pedestrian crossings and conversion of Zebra crossings to light controlled crossings).;**

**Please provide copies of the documents prescribing the relevant criteria in respect of each of the above for determining -**

**1. the need for such measures (i.e.) the criteria which must be satisfied before the relevant measures will ordinarily be proposed for approval by Councillors / eligible for approval by Officers under delegated powers; and**

**2. the prioritisation of such measures once approved.**

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

## **Response**

The council holds the information requested and it is attached/ the answers to your questions are below

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There are not specific criteria set or defined to be met before measures to reduce risk/increase highway safety will be proposed or approved.

In line with national good practice, requests for measures are considered based on the history of injury collisions at a location and the opportunity the measures present for reducing those collisions, taking account of cost. This may also take into account other positive and negative impacts.

***2. the prioritisation of such measures once approved.***

Prioritisation of requests for road safety engineering measures for inclusion in the borough's most recent LIP funding submission was on the basis of a high level assessment of collision benefit versus an assessment of cost. The right hand column of the attached gives the overall rank for (higher figures are higher priority)\*. In addition to these other locations were also identified based on recorded high levels of Personal Injury Collisions and included where measures were identified to address these.

\*Note the cost figures are an indication of the relative cost of different measures and not an accurate cost. The first year rate of return (FYRR) figures are not a true measure of FYRR but are proportional to the figure that would apply based on an average economic cost per Personal Injury Collision. A severity factor is also

included to apply greater weight where more severe collisions have occurred historically.

### **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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