London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW 6 June 2022 Our ref: 8283537

Thank you for your request received on 13 May 2022, for the following information:

Energy costs are rising and the Government has had helpful and mandatory legislation in place since 2009. Whilst you do not currently appear to comply, and may face a fine, there are other compelling cost saving strategies to consider.

1. Are you aware of the Energy Performance of Building Regulations in respect of air conditioning?

2. Do you intend to comply and obtain an Air Conditioning TM44 Certificate lodged on the government database?

3. Are you aware that all Government buildings also require a Display Energy Certificate, updated annually?

4. Note the link below for the government Database to assist

Find energy certificates and reports by postcode - Find an energy certificate - GOV.UK (communities.gov.uk).

### 5. Who is the Responsible Person for building compliance at your Organisation?

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

#### Response

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

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1. Are you aware of the Energy Performance of Building Regulations in respect of air conditioning?



Yes the Authority is aware of the Energy Performance of Building Regulations in respect of air conditioning and complies with the requirements where applicable.

# 2. Do you intend to comply and obtain an Air Conditioning TM44 Certificate lodged on the government database?

The TM44 inspection will be due in the next 6 months at which time the authority will instruct contractors through our strategic partner Capita. This is in relation to the plant and systems at Colindale offices, the other buildings in the council portfolio do not have the required loadings to be applicable under TM44

# 3. Are you aware that all Government buildings also require a Display Energy Certificate, updated annually?

DCLG publication 'A guide to display energy certificates and advisory reports for public buildings' <u>Preliminary pages - Template A (publishing.service.gov.uk)</u> notes the requirement for DECs as follows:-

- A DEC and advisory report are required for buildings with a total useful floor area over 250m 2 that are occupied in whole or part by public authorities and frequently visited by the public.
- Where the building has a total useful floor area of more than 1,000m<sup>2</sup>, the DEC is valid for 12 months. The accompanying advisory report is valid for seven years. Where the building has a total useful floor area of between 250m<sup>2</sup> and 1000m<sup>2</sup>, the DEC and advisory report are valid for 10 years.

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The Council aims to comply with all relevant legislation.

# *5. Who is the Responsible Person for building compliance at your Organisation?*

John Hooton CEO is the overall Duty Holder and via delegated powers Chris Smith Associate Director Growth & Corporate Services is his deputy. The Responsible persons for Building Compliance is delegated via contract to CSG Estates and led by Symon Brown Technical Compliance Associate for CSG - Capita.

### **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. <u>http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</u>

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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.

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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.