London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW 16 August 2022 Our ref: 8354885

Thank you for your request received on 26 July 2022, for the following information:

Please could you provide the following information regarding child sexual exploitation:

1. How many children have been referred to the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) for children (17 and under) due to concerns about Child Sexual Exploitation in the following years:

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022 so far

2. How many children (17 and under) are currently the subject of a child protection plan with a Child Sexual Exploitation marker / under a sexual exploitation category?

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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2020 - 173

2021 - 249

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In London Borough of Barnet we do not use traditional Child Protection processes for extra-familial harm, we have contextual safeguarding plans for children at risk of exploitation

## **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>

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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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.