London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW 16 August 2022 Our ref: 8347013

Thank you for your request received on 21 July 2022, for the following information:

Your local authority responded to a FOIR I sent in September 2021 stating that children's safeguarding tag cases where honour-based abuse (HBA) has been identified.

To further our understanding of how local authorities meet the needs of victims of HBA I would be grateful if you could answer the following questions.

- 1. Do you use the case tag to collate information about the prevalence of HBA in your local authority?
- 2. Do you use the case tag and subsequent data collection to inform/support funding of local specialist services?
- 3. Do you use the case tag for case management purposes?
- 4. Is there any other purpose to tag case files? If YES, please can you provide the reasons why.

I would like the above information to be provided to me via email please.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

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



London Borough of Barnet commissions the Domestic Abuse Service to Solace Women's Aid.

1. Do you use the case tag to collate information about the prevalence of HBA in your local authority?

Yes

2. Do you use the case tag and subsequent data collection to inform/support funding of local specialist services?

Yes

3. Do you use the case tag for case management purposes?

Yes

4. Is there any other purpose to tag case files? - If YES, please can you provide the reasons why.

For better case management and completion of additional risk management for HBA cases especially when there are multiple perpetrators and multiple risks

## **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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