London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW 16 August 2022 Our ref: 8342324

Thank you for your request received on 28 July 2022, for the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) and Environmental Regulations (ER), I request all information relating to actual and potential planning proposals for the building and grounds of 33 Lyonsdown Road, New Barnet, EN5 1JG involving Barnet Council (including its officers, contractors and councillors) and the applicant (Abbeytown Ltd), their agents and advisers between 1st January 2020 and 28th July 2022. This includes, but is not limited to, correspondence and notes of discussion relating to applications to demolish and redevelop the site (20/2925/FUL) and subsequent appeal, and applications to demolish under GPDO (22/2802/PND) and lawful development certificate registered by Barnet Council (22/2803/192).

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

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested. However, we believe that the exceptions detailed below apply to all of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

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Please see attached

Please also use planning link to locate other information relating to applications to demolish and redevelop the site by using the search references 20/2925/FUL, 22/2802/PND and 22/2803/192.

www.barnet.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning/find-and-comment-planning-applications

I have also attached the planning inspectorates appeal decision on ref: 20/2925/FUL, if you would like copies of the communications in relation to this please submit fresh request.

R13 - Personal data

We have also redacted the names of individuals by virtue of Regulation 13 of the Environmental Information regulations 2004, as disclosure of this information to the public generally, in the Council's view, would not be consistent with the data protection principle found in Article 5.1(a) of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) lawfully, transparently and fairly. We have considered whether disclosure is lawful and fair and whilst it may be lawful under Article 6.1(f) GDPR (legitimate interests) it would not be fair to the individuals concerned who would not expect the names of junior employees to be disclosed as part of such a request.

We consider that regulation 13 (Personal information) applies to the information requested.

Therefore, we have decided to withhold the information.

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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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link www.ico.org.uk

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Your rights

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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.