

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
30 August 2022
Our ref: 8358104

Thank you for your request received on 4 August 2022, for the following information:

I would like Barnet Council to supply me with the following information regarding "Streets Trees" and all "Trees" that are managed by Barnet Council and fall on property that is either owned or managed by the said borough.

1. Since 1st April 2018 how many trees have been planted by Barnet Council or a contractor working on behalf council?

*** What is the breakdown, How many were planted on streets / How many were planted in public open spaces**

2. What is the total cost of planting these new trees in reference to question 1.

3. At the last know price point what is the unit cost of planting a street tree? This is to include the tree, planting, and all accessories, separate costs for trees with metal frames protecting the tree, which you normally see on the main road, and trees planted on a residential street with the wire guard.

4. How many trees are Barnet Council aware of that were planted since 1st April 2018 have either died or have been killed due to human interaction?

5. Who is Barnet Council's tree supplier?

5. What is the process and how is the decision made as to what trees are planted and where? How many new trees planted are not native indigenous trees? If not indigenous what is the country of origin?

6. What is the maintenance/upkeep/watering schedule for looking after newly planted trees by Barnet Council, how often are they watered, and the duration that they are directly watered and maintained?

7. What are the future proposals/plans does Barnet Council have regarding the planting of more trees?

8. How many trees have been felled in the London Borough of Barnet since 1st April 2018?

In that time frame

*** How many were directly felled by Barnet Council or a Contractor working on their behalf of Barnet Council?**

*** How Many Trees are Barnet Council aware of that were felled privately?**

*** How many of the trees felled were healthy?**

- * How many of the trees were subject to a Tree Protection Orders
- * How many trees were felled due to insurance claims and substance, and what insurance companies were involved
- * How many trees were felled due to domestic and commercial/industrial developments?
- * How many trees are subject to current Tree Protection Orders/
- * How many prosecutions have there been regarding the illegal felling of trees in Barnet since 1st April 2018

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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The council has 700 tree preservation orders which protect individual trees, groups of trees, areas and woodlands. The total number of trees protected is not recorded.

**** How many trees were felled due to insurance claims and substance, and what insurance companies were involved***

Applications are received that implicate trees in causing damage to properties either within the ground of the affected property or on adjoining land. The total number of trees removed for these reasons is not available. Often the tree owners do not permit the removal of the tree.

**** How many trees were felled due to domestic and commercial/industrial developments?***

Planning applications are made and considered on their individual merits. The number of trees removed is not available. Where trees are removed the applicants must provide an appropriate level replacement tree planting.

**** How many trees are subject to current Tree Protection Orders/***

Please see above.

**** How many prosecutions have there been regarding the illegal felling of trees in Barnet since 1st April 2018***

No breaches of TPO legislation have been taken to court from 1st April 2018.

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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If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

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

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information 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.