

London Borough of Barnet
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Thank you for your request received on 12 August 2022, for the following information:

1. How many sponsored placements (guest/s staying with a host as part of the scheme) are currently in place where the guest/s have remained with the same host they were initially placed with?

2. How many sponsored placements have ended early (before the guest/s have been with the host for six months), resulting in the guest/s leaving the host accommodation?

2.1 How many of these placements involved single adults?

2.2 How many involved guest families (adults with children)?

2.3 For those involving guest families, how many involved unaccompanied children (and any other categories that are relevant)?

3. In total, how many Ukrainian children have left a sponsored placement early (please indicate whether these are children accompanied by adults or children not accompanied by adults)?

4. In instances where sponsored placements have ended early, how many times was it the guest/s decision to leave?

4.1 Please state the top three reasons for guest/s wanting to leave a placement (in order of most common).

5. In instances where sponsored placements have ended early, how many times was it the host/s decision that the guest/s leave?

5.1 If possible, please state the top three reasons for host/s wanting guest/s to leave a placement (in order of most common).

6. How many guest/s have been rematched with a new host within the scheme?

6.1 How many of these placements involved single adults?

6.2 How many involved guest families (adults with children)?

6.3 For those involving guest families, how many involved unaccompanied children (and any other categories that are relevant)?

7. How many rematches were arranged by the relevant council/local authority?

8. How many rematches were arranged directly by the guest and/or host (either the current host or the new host the guest/s went on to stay with)?

9. How many rematches were arranged by other means (not by the relevant council/local authority and not directly by a guest/host)? Please indicate by what other means, e.g. by a charity.

10. How many requests for a rematch, by either a host or guest, have been turned down by the relevant council or local authority? If possible, please specify the three most common reasons for these requests being turned down (in order of most common).

11. Of the instances where sponsored placements ended early, how many guests returned to Ukraine?

12. What happened to guests who left placements early (through their own choice or the choice of the host) and were not rematched with hosts within the scheme but stayed in England? For this answer, please indicate how many guests went to stay in temporary accommodation and have not yet been placed in settled accommodation (please indicate if the temporary accommodation is a hotel/hostel or other)

12.1 How many went to stay in settled accommodation outside of the scheme (please indicate the kind of settled accommodation e.g. social/council housing or other).

13. Of the guests who left placements early (through their own choice or the choice of the host) and stayed in England, how many did not go into temporary or alternative settled accommodation? i.e. how many were left without a place to stay?

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and although we hold some of the information requested, some of the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

We have provided answers to your request below.

1. How many sponsored placements (guest/s staying with a host as part of the scheme) are currently in place where the guest/s have remained with the same host they were initially placed with?

488 Sponsors

2. How many sponsored placements have ended early (before the guest/s have been with the host for six months), resulting in the guest/s leaving the host accommodation?

10 Placements

2.1 How many of these placements involved single adults?

5 involved single adults

2.2 How many involved guest families (adults with children)?

5 adults with children

2.3 For those involving guest families, how many involved unaccompanied children (and any other categories that are relevant)?

0

3. In total, how many Ukrainian children have left a sponsored placement early (please indicate whether these are children accompanied by adults or children not accompanied by adults)?

5 adults with children.

4. In instances where sponsored placements have ended early, how many times was it the guest/s decision to leave?

0

4.1 Please state the top three reasons for guest/s wanting to leave a placement (in order of most common).

N/A

5. In instances where sponsored placements have ended early, how many times was it the host/s decision that the guest/s leave?

10

5.1 If possible, please state the top three reasons for host/s wanting guest/s to leave a placement (in order of most common).

Guests have been able to go into the Private Rented Sector.

Cost of living and energy prices

Other arrangements (refurbishment, family staying over, guests children have returned from university)

6. How many guest/s have been rematched with a new host within the scheme?

0 Guests

6.1 How many of these placements involved single adults?

0

6.2 How many involved guest families (adults with children)?

0

6.3 For those involving guest families, how many involved unaccompanied children (and any other categories that are relevant)?

0

7. How many rematches were arranged by the relevant council/local authority?

0 Matches

8. How many rematches were arranged directly by the guest and/or host (either the current host or the new host the guest/s went on to stay with)?

2 rematches

9. How many rematches were arranged by other means (not by the relevant council/local authority and not directly by a guest/host)? Please indicate by what other means, e.g. by a charity.

1 rematch

10. How many requests for a rematch, by either a host or guest, have been turned down by the relevant council or local authority? If possible, please specify the three most common reasons for these requests being turned down (in order of most common).

None

11. Of the instances where sponsored placements ended early, how many guests returned to Ukraine?

Information not held. We do not have a record of this data.

12. What happened to guests who left placements early (through their own choice or the choice of the host) and were not rematched with hosts within the scheme but stayed in England? For this answer, please indicate how many guests went to stay in temporary accommodation and have not yet been placed in settled accommodation (please indicate if the temporary accommodation is a hotel/hostel or other)

10 Guests have stayed in temporary accommodation.

12.1 How many went to stay in settled accommodation outside of the scheme (please indicate the kind of settled accommodation e.g. social/council housing or other).

3 have found private rented properties.

13. Of the guests who left placements early (through their own choice or the choice of the host) and stayed in England, how many did not go into temporary or alternative settled accommodation? i.e. how many were left without a place to stay?

None

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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