2 Bristol Avenue Colindale London NW9 4EW 5 December 2022 Our ref: 8699595

Thank you for your request received on 23 November 2022, for the following information:

I wish to receive six sets of data relating to emergency housing for homeless residents.

For all six data sets, I wish to receive the data on a month-by-month basis, beginning with October 2020, and ending with October 2022.

The data sets I wish to receive are:

- 1. The total number of households per month which were placed by the council into hotel or B&B accommodation for one night or more.
- 2. The total number of households per month which included children, which were placed by the council into hotel or B&B accommodation for one night or more.
- 3. The total number of households per month which were placed by the council into hotel or B&B accommodation for more than seven nights.
- 4. The total number of households per month which included children, which were placed by the council into hotel or B&B accommodation for more than seven nights.
- 5. The total number of nights in hotel or B&B accommodation, per month, for which the council paid.



6. The total cost to the council, per month, of placing residents in hotel and B&B accommodation.

I have three additional questions, for which I do not require monthly data sets. They are:

- 7. Since January 1, 2022, what is the largest number of nights that any household has spent in hotel or B&B accommodation?
- 8. Since January 2022, what is the largest number of nights that any household with children has spent in hotel or B&B accommodation?
- 9. What were the names/addresses of the five most commonly used hotels/B&Bs?

If the council is unable to fulfil this request within the reasonable time limit for Freedom of Information requests, please liaise with me to refine or adapt it as quickly as possible.

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

## Response

I am writing to inform you Barnet Council does not hold this information.

Please make your request directly to Barnet Homes.

Housing services (including homelessness, allocations, housing repairs and so forth) are provided by Barnet Homes who are an Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) who manage the council's housing stock and associated services on the council's behalf. They are a public authority under Freedom of Information Act 2000 and so you may make a FOI request to them. Their contact details are:

Email: talk2us@barnethomes.org

Post: The Data Controller Barnet Homes 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London NW9 4EW

## **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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