

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale NW9 4EW
8th December 2022
Our ref: 8686824

Thank you for your request received on 17th November 2022, for the following information:

IR1: How many community trigger applications have you received from April 2018 - April 2022?

IR2: Out of the community trigger applications that you have received during the proposed time frame:

a. How many applications did not meet the community trigger threshold?

b. How many met the community trigger threshold?

b1. Did all of those that met the threshold result in a panel hearing/review meeting?

If not, are you able to expand on the reasons why a review hearing did not occur?

IR3: Do you have information on the community trigger on your website? (such as, what the community trigger is and how to apply for the community trigger)?

IR4: Do you have a specified point of contact for those submitting a community trigger?

IR5: What is your threshold criteria for a community trigger application to be met? (please include any caveats, for example- the case must be closed, one of the incidents needs to have occurred in the month prior to the application being made, etc.)

IR6: Please select how the community trigger can be applied for at your organisation: Online form via telephone in writing downloadable form other (please specify) -

IR7: Do you share all of the community trigger applications you receive with all the relevant bodies?

IR8(1): Do you provide an independent chair to hold your community trigger panel hearings?

IR8(2): How do you define independent? The chair is from a different organisation/agency that is not involved with the case, or the chair is from within your organisation but is not involved with or has had any previous involvement with the case.

IR9: Are the victims given the opportunity to: attend the initial part of the community trigger panel hearing/case review?

Have a representative attend on their behalf?

Provide a statement to be read aloud at the community trigger panel hearing/case review?

IR10(1): On what grounds are applicants able to appeal?

IR10(2): Who chairs your appeal meetings?

IR11: How many appeals have you received in relation to the community trigger application not meeting the threshold?

How many of these appeals were upheld?

IR12: How many appeals have been made following the outcome of a community trigger panel hearing/case review?

RESPONSE

IR1: How many community trigger applications have you received from April 2018 - April 2022?

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IR2: Out of the community trigger applications that you have received during the proposed time frame:

a. How many applications did not meet the community trigger threshold?

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b. How many met the community trigger threshold?

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b1. Did all of those that met the threshold result in a panel hearing/review meeting?

All community triggers submitted to Barnet Council are subject to a multi agency case review.

IR3: Do you have information on the community trigger on your website? (such as, what the community trigger is and how to apply for the community trigger)?

Yes

IR4: Do you have a specified point of contact for those submitting a community trigger?

Yes, Community Safety Manager

IR5: What is your threshold criteria for a community trigger application to be met? (please include any caveats, for example- the case must be closed, one of the incidents needs to have occurred in the month prior to the application being made, etc.)

The community trigger can be used when:

- * You have made three reports to either the council, police or registered housing provider about the same issue in the last six months and no action has been taken or
- * Five individuals have separately reported about the same issue in the last six months and no action has been taken.

IR6: Please select how the community trigger can be applied for at your organisation:

Online form via telephone in writing downloadable form other (please specify)

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All the above apply, in terms of other by way of a supported application ie an advocate or other support professional or volunteer support agency making the application on the victim's behalf

IR7: Do you share all of the community trigger applications you receive with all the relevant bodies?

Yes

IR8(1): Do you provide an independent chair to hold your community trigger panel hearings?

No - Community trigger applications are in the first instance assessed by the council's Community Safety Manager

IR8(2): How do you define independent? The chair is from a different organisation/agency that is not involved with the case, or the chair is from within your organisation but is not involved with or has had any previous involvement with the case.

The chair is from within your organisation but is not involved with or has had any previous involvement with the case.

IR9: Are the victims given the opportunity to: attend the initial part of the community trigger panel hearing/case review?

No

Have a representative attend on their behalf?

No

Provide a statement to be read aloud at the community trigger panel hearing/case review?

Not offered but it would be considered if one were submitted.

IR10(1): On what grounds are applicants able to appeal?

If you are unhappy with the partnership response you can appeal by writing to:

Community Safety Team

2 Bristol Avenue

Colindale

NW9 4EW

Email: barnetcst@barnet.gov.uk

The team will arrange a review of the decision by a deputy director (or equivalent in a partner organisation). Their decision is final.

IR10(2): Who chairs your appeal meetings?

Any appeal is reviewed by the council's Community Safety Head of Service or Assistant Director.

IR11: How many appeals have you received in relation to the community trigger application not meeting the threshold?

How many of these appeals were upheld?

Nil

IR12: How many appeals have been made following the outcome of a community trigger panel hearing/case review?

Nil

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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