London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale NW9 4EW 23 December 2022 Our ref: 8441292

Thank you for your request received on 3 October 2022, for the following information:

Parklets outside 102 and 111 Golders Green Road Nw11

**Dear Barnet Borough Council,** 

Re-Parklets outside 102 and 111 Golders Green Road Nw11

- 1. Please state how many motor vehicle accidents have taken place at the the above parklets since Barnet Council Installed them.
- 2. How many accidents involving Bus Collisions with these Parklets have taken place since Barnet Council first installed them.
- 3. Please state how many accidents involving pedestrians have taken place at/or as a result of these Parklets since Barnet Council first installed them.
- 4. What is the total number of complaints received by any and all departments of Barnet Council regarding these Parklets since Barnet Council first installed them? This figure should include all petitions against these parklets submitted to Barnet, giving also the amount of signatures on each petition.
- 5. Please provide copies of all correspondence regarding all incidences at these Parklets between Barnet Council and the Police, Fire, Ambulance or Hatzolo Emergency Services.?

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 some/all of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

1. Please state how many motor vehicle accidents have taken place at the the above parklets since Barnet Council Installed them.



One. the Latest records show a minor accident involving one pedestrian and a motorcycle happened on Golders Green Road 34m north of its junction with Hoop Lane in April 2021. However, a review of incident makes no indication or association that the parklet infrastructure causing or affecting the incident.

2. How many accidents involving Bus Collisions with these Parklets have taken place since Barnet Council first installed them.

No accidents recorded.

- 3. Please state how many accidents involving pedestrians have taken place at/or as a result of these Parklets since Barnet Council first installed them. No accidents recorded.
- 4. What is the total number of complaints received by any and all departments of Barnet Council regarding these Parklets since Barnet Council first installed them? This figure should include all petitions against these parklets submitted to Barnet, giving also the amount of signatures on each petition.

We have received one petition signed by over 250 people alongside the lead petitioner Cllr Dean Cohen, ward member for an adjacent ward to Childs Hill which Golder's Green Town Centre falls within.

5. Please provide copies of all correspondence regarding all incidences at these Parklets between Barnet Council and the Police, Fire, Ambulance or Hatzolo Emergency Services.?

See attached copy of minor accident report

#### **Refusal Notice**

#### R13 - Personal data

Part 1 of Schedule 19 of the Data Protection Act 2018 amends the personal data exception Regulation 13 of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004. These are consequential amendments designed to ensure that the correct provisions of the GDPR and the new Act are referenced instead of the now repealed DPA 1998. They will not fundamentally impact when personal data can, and cannot, be disclosed in response to an EIR request.

We consider the information is subject to Regulation 13 because to release it would be a breach of the Data Protection Act 2018.

Personal Information is governed by the Data Protection legislation and is defined as any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject')". It adds that: an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location number, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

The withheld information is exempt because disclosure would contravene the first data protection principle which requires that personal data is processed fairly and lawfully. Disclosure of the requested information would breach this principle and in particular the requirement of fairness.

For council staff add in: because individuals working for the council have a reasonable expectation of privacy and do not expect that the council would disclose their names or contact details in response to an information rights request, especially as they are relatively junior and not in public facing roles. The council's redaction policy states that officers' names and contact details under the level of Assistant Director will generally not be released. All of the posts redacted are under the Assistant Director level.

#### **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. <a href="http://open.barnet.gov.uk/">http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</a>

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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

## 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: <a href="mailto:foi@barnet.gov.uk">foi@barnet.gov.uk</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.ico.org.uk">www.ico.org.uk</a>). There is no charge for making an appeal.