

London Borough of Barnet
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Our ref: 8753184

Thank you for your request received on 30 November 2022, for the following information:

This request is made under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act and Environmental Information Regulations and is submitted on behalf of Friern Barnet & Whetstone Residents' Association.

This request relates to traffic studies commissioned by, or carried out by the Council using 'traffic counters' placed across a highway to measure traffic flow, speed and similar data.

1. Please provide a list of the highways within Woodhouse, Coppetts and Friern Barnet Wards where such traffic studies have been carried out within the last 3 years, including the approximate dates/period of the study and the underlying purpose of the study (i.e. not e.g. 'to investigate traffic flow, speed and similar data in [road]' but e.g. 'to investigate traffic flow, speed and similar data in [road] in connection with the consideration of proposals for [traffic calming measures]'.

2. Please provide a similar list of current traffic studies within Woodhouse and Friern Barnet Wards.

3. Please provide a similar list of proposed future traffic studies within Woodhouse and Friern Barnet Wards.

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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Please refer to the attached document.

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1. & 2. Attached provides information on surveys undertaken from April 2019 to date in the former Woodhouse and Coppetts wards and current Woodhouse and Friern Barnet wards (depending on the date of the survey).

Surveys involving a loop across the road captures speed, volume and a level of classification of vehicles. Radar or camera surveys are alternative ways to capture some of this type of information, and counts of turning vehicles and particular classes of vehicle/road user often make use of cameras to provide a manual classification. Details on the attached include any of these.

They relate to surveys commissioned by the Highways Service. Other organisations may also commission traffic studies, notably to support planning applications etc. but are not included here. (Studies related to specific planning applications can be viewed via the planning pages on the council website if desired).

3. Please provide a similar list of proposed future traffic studies within Woodhouse and Friern Barnet Wards.

In our current year work programme plans are being made for surveys in Woodhouse Ward and Friern Barnet Wards for two schemes identified from issues in School Travel Plans:

- Surveys at A1000 High Road junction with Squires Lane are planned to capture pedestrian and vehicle turning movements at the junction to consider and address issues raised through the School Travel Plan for Our Lady of Lourdes School.

- Speed (and potentially other) traffic surveys are planned for the area surrounding Hollickwood School (details still being confirmed).

Other studies and scheme proposals may emerge from requests received. Scheme proposals for next financial year are not yet agreed and programmed and details of survey locations and requirements for these will not be determined until then.

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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