

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale NW9 4EW
30 December 2022
Our ref: 8717820

Thank you for your request received on 24 November 2022, for the following information:

Following the recent installations of 5G masts and antennas all over the borough of Barnet, worrying non-ionising electromagnetic radiation readings have been taken from these devices with a Trifled meter. The structures are emitting over 20 times the recommended exposure limit stated by the ICNIRP guidelines.

I would like to request freedom of information on the following:-

- 1. Please provide me with your health and safety risk assessment into the new technology as required by law.**
- 2. Please provide me with your environmental risk assessment as required by law.**
- 3. Please provide me with your insurance policy to cover the safe operation of This technology.**

I trust as our local council all laws would of been complied with and your residents safety would be paramount.

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.

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There is no peer reviewed research to suggest non ionising radiation has significant health risks, more information can be obtained from the Health Protection Agency, who are part of Public Health England. This information can be found on their website

2. Please provide me with your environmental risk assessment as required by law.

If a risk assessment has been submitted by the developer this would be found here [Find and comment on planning applications | Barnet Council](#) but they are mostly permitted development as the risk from mobile phone masts is very low

3. Please provide me with your insurance policy to cover the safe operation of This technology.

We do not own or operate any 5g masts so our insurance policy is not relevant to their operation. You will need to approach the owners of the masts.

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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Your rights

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Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Records & Information Management Service, Assurance Group, London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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