

2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

25 January 2023

Our ref: 8909836

Thank you for your request received on 28 December 2022, for the following information:

Hi,

**I hope you are well. I'm looking to request several pieces of information from you about schools within your jurisdiction under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. If I could please have the following information in an excel spreadsheet that would be great, but also any table format would work.**

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- 2. The number of pupils excluded from year 11 in the academic years since the lockdown (September- July) 2020, (September- July) 2021,**
- 3. The number of pupils excluded from year 11 in the current academic year - since September- 2022,**

Thank you very much for your help and please let me know if the request is too large and I can narrow it down. If you could please send confirmation of this request that would be very much appreciated. I can be contacted at this e-mail address for future correspondence.

Thank you,

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

## **Response**

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested and it is attached.

However, we believe that the exemptions detailed below apply to some of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

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#### **S40(2) identifying individuals through statistical tables (5 or less)**

The information you require is attached, but some information has been redacted. This is because in some instances, owing to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less) disclosing this data may make it possible for individuals to be identified. This information is therefore exempt by virtue of section 40 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), as disclosure of this information to the public generally, in the Council's view, would not be consistent with data protection principles in Article 5 of the General Data Protection Regulations. This is an absolute exemption and the public interest test does not apply.

#### **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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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 [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.