2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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

Hello,

Please can I request that you forward my Freedom of Information Request onto the relevant people within Education/Childrens Services. I have listed the questions below.

Yours sincerely,

1) How many 16-18 year olds live in your borough? Please provide a breakdown of ethnicity (if possible)

2) How many 16-18 year olds are currently registered as NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) in your borough? Please provide a breakdown of ethnicity (if possible)

3) How many children were permanently excluded from a school in your borough in the 2021-2022 academic year?

4) How many Year 11 pupils were permanently excluded from school in your borough in the 2021-2022 academic year?

5) How many of the young people in question 4 then became NEET this year?

6) How many care leavers aged between 16-18 does your borough currently have?

7) How many of the care leavers in question 6 are NEET?

8) How many children with a social worker are registered as NEET?

9) How many Year 11 pupils were registered as CME in the the 2021-2022 academic year?

10) How many Year 11 pupils were closed as CME at the end of the 2021-2022 academic year because despite the young person still being 'CME'- the young person was no longer statutory school age and therefore cannot be registered as CME?

11) How many of the pupils in questions 9 & 10 are now NEET?



12) How many Year 11 pupils were registered as educated at home, EHE, in the 2021-2022 academic year?

13) How many Year 11 pupils were closed to EHE at the end of the 2021-2022 academic year because the young person was no longer statutory school age and therefore cannot be registered as EHE?

14) How many do the pupils in questions 12 & 13 are now NEET?

15) How many Year 11 pupils had an EHCP in the 2021-2022 academic year?

16) How many pupils with an EHCP are currently registered as NEET?

17) Please share what work your borough does to reduce the number of children becoming NEET.

18) Does your borough specifically target pupils who are more at risk of becoming NEET (E.g. pupils who are permanently excluded, care leavers etc). If yes, what work is done with these young people?

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

1) How many 16-18 year olds live in your borough? Please provide a breakdown of ethnicity (if possible)

Please note, you will need to contact the National Statistics Office for this data: <u>Contact us - Office for National Statistics (ons.gov.uk)</u>

2) How many 16-18 year olds are currently registered as NEET (Not in Education, Employment or Training) in your borough? Please provide a breakdown of ethnicity (if possible)

There are 18 young people aged 16 registered as NEET

There are 49 young people aged 17 registered as NEET There are 10 young people aged 18 registered as NEET

Total 77

3) How many children were permanently excluded from a school in your borough in the 2021-2022 academic year?

24

4) How many Year 11 pupils were permanently excluded from school in your borough in the 2021-2022 academic year?

1

5) How many of the young people in question 4 then became NEET this year?

72 young people became NEET in 2022

1 in 2023

6) How many care leavers aged between 16-18 does your borough currently have?

320

7) How many of the care leavers in question 6 are NEET?

There are 3 care leavers out of 77 NEETs

8) How many children with a social worker are registered as NEET?

IYSS does not hold this data

9) How many Year 11 pupils were registered as CME in the the 2021-2022 academic year?

24

10) How many Year 11 pupils were closed as CME at the end of the 2021-2022 academic year because despite the young person still being 'CME'- the young person was no longer statutory school age and therefore cannot be registered as CME?

0

11) How many of the pupils in questions 9 & 10 are now NEET?

None recorded on Integrated Youth Support Service (IYSS)

12) How many Year 11 pupils were registered as educated at home, EHE, in the 2021-2022 academic year?

38

13) How many Year 11 pupils were closed to EHE at the end of the 2021-2022 academic year because the young person was no longer statutory school age and therefore cannot be registered as EHE?

31

14) How many do the pupils in questions 12 & 13 are now NEET?

None of the children educated at home are currently NEET

15) How many Year 11 pupils had an EHCP in the 2021-2022 academic year?

212

16) How many pupils with an EHCP are currently registered as NEET?

There are 8 young people out of 77 who have an EHCP

17) Please share what work your borough does to reduce the number of children becoming NEET.

The strategies our borough implements to reduce the number of children becoming NEET, the first priorities are to identify young people most at risk of disengagement and improve the support with engagements/interventions at schools

The robust tracking systems we have adapted has led to a more effective transition, and tailor provision to better meet the needs of young people. Those that have been identified as becoming NEET or are NEET after the September Guarantees process, these young people will then be assigned a caseworker to support them into a positive outcome.

Our current provision also aims to strengthen employability skills and opportunities for employment education and training, this will be met through fostering greater relationships with our stakeholders such as, local Training Providers, Colleges, and Employers.

By developing these priorities, Barnet Education Learning Services will continue to reduce the number of young people who spend time outside of education, employment or training and the significant impact that this has on the quality of their future lives, health, well-being and self-esteem.

18) Does your borough specifically target pupils who are more at risk of becoming NEET (E.g. pupils who are permanently excluded, care leavers etc). If yes, what work is done with these young people?

Yes, we deliver a RON (Risk of NEET) mentoring programme to young people in Barnet schools and NEET young people. This cohort includes care leavers, young people who have been excluded from school etc).

The programme is a hybrid of mentoring and coaching. It is dynamic, personalised, asset driven and strength based. It is simple to follow and covers five strategic steps:

The Person (Who) – self-esteem, self-worth, value, Identity (self-awareness) etc. Purpose (Why) – vision, purpose in life, identify barriers to growth, etc Psychology – unleashing the power of a growth mindset, belief system, self-talk etc Proficiency – skills, academic performance, discovering what they are good at, developing emotional intelligence (EQ)- self-management, relationship management etc

Plan (How) – clarity about vision, action plan, goal setting (SMART) etc. Help each young person to create an ACTION PLAN for their next step.

We aim to help each student/young person to:

Reconcile their identity issues, values, self-worth, self-esteem, and belief system – How they define themselves informs everything else.

Identify and develop the skills that are required for them to thrive in a post-pandemic world.

Develop effective action planning and set SMART goals.

Improve their relationship with challenges.

Recognise that effort is the currency of a growth mindset and how to invest their time and energy more effectively.

Focus on their potential and not their past performances.

Develop the courage to step outside of their comfort zone.

Identify that transformation begins with a changed mindset – a changed mindset will help them to gain new insight about where they are now and where they want to be. Identify the barriers to transformation.

Develop resilience and robustness so they don't simply withstand or recover from disruption, but they embrace it, learn and ultimately benefit from it, they grow as a result of the disruption to their lives.

We employ tested and proven strategies. Our young people experience significant improvement in their EQ, motivation, confidence, resilience and the ability to adapt in the face of a changing environment.

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. <u>http://open.barnet.gov.uk/</u>

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