

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW
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Our ref: 8950628

Thank you for your request received on 9 January 2023, for the following information:

I would like to know about some data of public toilets in London from 2019-2022. Please provide the following:

-Number of public toilets in your borough , as well as number of different type of toilet from 2019 to 2022

- a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept)**

-Number of public toilets are being maintained in your borough from 2019 to 2022

- a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept)**

-What was the annual cost of maintaining the public toilets in the financial year from 2019 to 2022

- a. 2019-20**
- b. 2020-21**
- c. 2021-22**

- how many had closed and how many had been handed over to smaller councils or other groups from 2019 to 2022

- a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept)**
- d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept)**

-If there was any closed toilet during 2019-2022, what was the main reason?

- number of toilets open overnight from 2019 to 2022

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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a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

7 APC's

b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

0 APC's – removed at the end of April 19

c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

0 APC's or Community Toilet sites

d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

5 Community Toilet Sites – scheme actively being promoted to increase numbers

The data on the Barnet Open Data Portal still reflects the number of public toilets in Parks [Public Toilets 2014-15 | Barnet Open Data](#)

-Number of public toilets are being maintained in your borough from 2019 to 2022

a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept)

b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept)

c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept)

d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept)

See above, As above for APC's and community Toilet Sites

-What was the annual cost of maintaining the public toilets in the financial year from 2019 to 2022

a. 2019-20

- APC's - £64K

b. 2020-21 –

N/A

c. 2021-22 -

Community Toilets - £12K

Parks toilets are maintained as part of the whole parks portfolio and as such we are unable to separate the costs of toilet maintenance from other assets in the parks

- how many had closed and how many had been handed over to smaller councils or other groups from 2019 to 2022

a. April 2019 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

End 2019 – 7 APC's closed and removed

b. April 2020 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

N/A

c. April 2021 (or nearest date where records are kept) -

Community Toilets Scheme introduced with 5 initial sign ups

d. April 2022 (or nearest date where records are kept)

None in Parks

-If there was any closed toilet during 2019-2022, what was the main reason?

N/A - 7 APC's closed at end of contract term and new contract not pursued due to extensive costs involved and the poor value for money based on the low historical usage.

- number of toilets open overnight from 2019 to 2022

None in Parks, toilets are closed at dusk each night and reopened by 7am in the morning.

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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