

London Borough of Barnet
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Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
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Our ref: 9036684

Thank you for your request received on 20 January 2023, for the following information:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I'm contacting you to request all information available regarding enforcement of the High Fat, Salt & Sugar (HFSS) regulations which passed into law in April 2022.

Specifically I need to know:

- The number of businesses which breached HFSS since its introduction**
- How many HFSS compliance visits the council has made since its introduction**
- The penalty for the breach. If the punishment was a fine, please outline the value of the fine**
- The name that the offending businesses traded under, and its address**
- A breakdown of the business type (supermarket, convenience store, retailer, restaurant)**
- Copies of the enforcement letters sent to businesses breaching HFSS legislation**

I would appreciate it if these figures could be broken down month on month. Any other information on this topic which you are able to provide would be received gratefully.

We have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

Response

We have not done any specific visits to check on compliance with HFSS legislation. The regulations only became enforceable on 01 October 2022 and we have been required to focus on post-pandemic catchup inspections.

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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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). There is no charge for making an appeal.