

London Borough of Barnet  
2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale NW9 4EW  
10th February 2023  
Our ref: 8984324

Thank you for your request received on 13th January 2023, for the following information:

- 1. Does the Council deliver on-the-ground enforcement functions such as issuing fixed penalty notices for anti-social behaviour, littering and flytipping, and if so, how (directly, contracted out, etc.)?**
- 2. Does the Council deal with abandoned and/or untaxed vehicles, if so, how?**
- 3. Does the Council deal with unlawful encampments and traveller incursions, if so, how?**
- 4. If yes to either 1, 2 or 3, does an enforcement strategy exist, and can this be provided?**
- 5. In the last 5 financial years, how much has your authority recovered through Fixed Penalty Notices, fines and other actions as a result of enforcement action for these activities?**
- 6. In the last 5 financial years, how much has been spent on delivering these enforcement activities (for ease, if these form the substantive part of a department or team's responsibilities, please provide its combined net revenue budget)?**
- 7. Please provide any internal email correspondence and documents (including service reviews and committee reports) which relate to any consideration of reviewing expenditure on the aforementioned enforcement functions within the last 2 years**

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

## **Response**

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

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Yes, the Council operates an 'in house' service for ASB and Environmental Crime; FPNS are issued on the spot where it is deemed suitable and appropriate

**2. Does the Council deal with abandoned and/or untaxed vehicles, if so, how?**

Yes via our Parking Client Team

**3. Does the Council deal with unlawful encampments and traveller incursions, if so, how?**

Yes via an establish unauthorised encampment partnership process

**4. If yes to either 1, 2 or 3, does an enforcement strategy exist, and can this be provided?**

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(This policy is currently undergoing review).

**5. In the last 5 financial years, how much has your authority recovered through Fixed Penalty Notices, fines and other actions as a result of enforcement action for these activities?**

This data is held on our open portal data site for FPNs

[Environmental Enforcement Fixed Penalty Notices | Barnet Open Data](#)

**6. In the last 5 financial years, how much has been spent on delivering these enforcement activities (for ease, if these form the substantive part of a department or team's responsibilities, please provide its combined net revenue budget)?**

Up to January 2022 the Environmental Crime functions were delivered by way of a zero cost to the council external contract. Since January 2022 a new in house service has been established .

Please see link below:

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/documents/s69383/Proposals%20for%20the%20rest%20of%20the%20Community%20Safety%20Team%20within%20the%20Assurance%20Group.pdf>

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**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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