

London Borough of Barnet  
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Colindale,  
London, NW9 4EW  
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Our ref: 9231464

Thank you for your request received on 17 February 2023, for the following information:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:**

**1. Have you adopted the Nationally Described Space Standard in your local plans or planning guidance?**

**\* If so, please provide the date it was adopted.**

**\* If not, do you have any plans to adopt it, and if so, by when are you planning to adopt it?**

**2. Do you use any alternative space standards in your local plans or planning guidance?**

**\* Please provide details of the space standard in use, including the origin such as HQI.**

**3. If you are using space standards, do you have data on the rate of compliance for new dwellings for up to the last 10 years?**

**I would like you to provide the information for questions 1 and 2 in an email, and question 3 in a spreadsheet, if available.**

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

## **Response**

***1. Have you adopted the Nationally Described Space Standard in your local plans or planning guidance?***

Yes - the development plan for Barnet consists of Barnet's local plan and the London Plan

***\* If so, please provide the date it was adopted.***

The London Plan which introduced the nationally described space standard was adopted in March 2016

***\* If not, do you have any plans to adopt it, and if so, by when are you planning to adopt it?***

***2. Do you use any alternative space standards in your local plans or planning guidance?***

No

***\* Please provide details of the space standard in use, including the origin such as HQL.***

N/A

***3. If you are using space standards, do you have data on the rate of compliance for new dwellings for up to the last 10 years?***

No

### **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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