

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale NW9 4EW
31st March 2023
Our ref: 9274460

Thank you for your request received on 27th February 2023, for the following information:

I would like to request the following information:

For formal enforcement of noise nuisance complaints, how many of the following have you issued each year:

- * Abatement Notice (under Environmental Protection Act 1990)**
- * Community Protection Warning (CPW) (under Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)**
- * Community Protection Notice (CPN) (under Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)**

Year Abatement notice CPW CPN Comments

2012 N/A N/A

2013 N/A N/A

2014

2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

2022

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

Response

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and although we hold some of the information requested, some of the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

We have provided answers to your request below.

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	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Noise Abatement notices	50	32	23	26	35	45	11	17	29

Include construction noise notices

Therefore regulation 12(4)(a) applies to your request. Regulation 12(4)(a) provides an exception to the duty to disclose information when information is not held.

The Council's recording of the use of the ASB tools and powers under the ASBCPA 2014 are held in financial year format ie 1st April – 31st March time periods.

Please note the majority of the CPNWs and CPNs issued between 2016-2022 were via partnership working to tackle anti-social behaviours in Barnet working with the Metropolitan Police Service and mainly issued by police or Community Safety Team officers rather than Noise Team officers. The volume of these notices over the time period are such that to review each year to isolate those linked to a noise complaint element would take more officer time than the standard FOI permits therefore we have provided the whole numerical data held by the Council for the use of the CPNW and CPN power in Barnet.

Therefore, please note these notices were for a number of anti-social behaviours and so not solely related to noise related cases.

After 2019 – present day; the Council captures this data as a borough partnership collation of data but now publishes the data as separated police or council issued notices via our annual reporting to the Council's Safer Communities Partnership Board and Communities Leadership and Libraries Committee.

Community Protection Notice (CPN) (under Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014)

	2014/ 15	2015/ 16	2016/ 17	2017/ 18	2018/ 19	2019/ 20	2020/ 21	2021/ 22	2022/ 23
CPNW	No data held	No data held	224	77	63	53	35	63	193
CPN	No data held	No data held	17	16	18	14	6	18	5

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/>

Advice and Assistance : Direct Marketing

If you are a company that intends to use the names and contact details of council officers (or other officers) provided in this response for direct marketing, you need to be registered with the Information Commissioner to process personal data for this purpose. You must also check that the individual (whom you wish to contact for direct marketing purposes) is not registered with one of the Preference Services to prevent Direct Marketing. If they are you must adhere to this preference.

You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link www.ico.org.uk

For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.

Your rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review within the next 40 working days by writing to the Information Management Team at: foi@barnet.gov.uk. Or by post to Records & Information Management Service, Assurance Group, London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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.