

London Borough of Barnet  
2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale NW9 4EW  
15 March 2023  
Our ref: 9182204

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

**Request 1:**

**\* Please provide the number of sites commissioned by your local authority, or a provider sub-contracted by your local authority, to deliver contraceptive services for each of the last 10 financial years (2013/14 - 2022/23). \*If figures for 2022/23 are not yet available, please provide plans for this financial year.**  
**o If your organisation has taken a decision to reduce the number of sites, please provide the reason why this decision was taken.**

**Request 2:**

**\* Please confirm or deny whether the local authority stipulates and/or monitors waiting time requirements in contracts with (a) general practice and (b) sexual and reproductive health services for appointments for the fitting of IUDs/IUSs.**  
**o If confirm, please release corresponding data on (i) average waiting times and (ii) the longest waiting time in the most recent year for which figures are available.**

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

**Response**

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

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Contraceptive services Sites in Barnet for the period requested, please see below:

**No. Sites in Barnet For Delivery of Contraceptive Services for each of the last 10 financial years (since 2013/14 - 2022/23).**

Service	No. Sites in Barnet For Delivery of Contraceptive Services for each of the last 10 financial years (since 2013/14 - 2022/23).			
	No. Sites (2013/14 - 2016/17)		No. Sites (2017/18 to date)	
Contraception and Sexual Health services (CaSH) 1. Vale Drive Primary Care Centre 2. Edgware Community Hospital 3. Torrington Park health Centre 4. Grahame Park Health Centre.	4	4	3- (integrated SRH and GUM)	3- (Integrated SRH and GUM)
Sexual Health provision in Primary care settings: GPs contraception service to provide IUCD fittings to Barnet residents, and Implant fittings.	17 General Practices	18 General Practices	20 General Practices (Service sub-contracted to a new provider - CNWL).	20 General Practices (Service sub-contracted to a new provider - CNWL).

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- We can confirm that there has not been a reduction in the number of sites to deliver contraceptive services. During the financial year 2017/18 we commissioned a new service collaboratively with North Central London (NCL) Councils- Camden, Islington and Haringey. The new contract going forward since 2018/19 is part of a unique London-wide programme to improve the capital's sexual health services. In addition to the three clinics in Barnet therefore, residents can also use services at locations in these other boroughs.

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- Fitting and removal of contraceptive implants as a service in Barnet is part of the main integrated sexual and reproductive health service since July 2017.
- The service is provided by Central and North-West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL) as the lead provider.
- Activity of fitting and removal of contraceptive implants including waiting times is monitored by our sub-contracted provider and commissioners kept informed on a monthly basis.
- Average waiting time is less than three weeks.

### **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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You must also ensure you comply with the Privacy Electronic and Communications Regulations (PECR). For more information follow this Link [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF (telephone: 0303 123 1113; website [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.