London Borough of Barnet 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, London, NW9 4EW 11 April 2023 Our ref: 9539224

Thank you for your request received on 4 April 2023, for the following information:

I am writing to make an open government request for all the information to which I understand I am entitled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please can you provide the number of planning permission application submitted to the London borough of Barnet in the respective years listed?

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- * Planning permission applications submitted in 2022:
- * Planning permission applications submitted in 2021:
- * Planning permission applications submitted in 2020:
- * Planning permission applications submitted in 2019:
- * Planning permission applications submitted in 2018:

I would like the above information to be provided to me as an electronic copy sent to XXX

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, noting any relevant page references and URLs? If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, I ask that you supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement and remind you that information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

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

Response

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested. However, we believe that the exceptions detailed below apply to all of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.



R6(1)(b) - Material already published

Under Regulation 6(1)(b) of EIR, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you by other means.

The number of applications made yearly is available on the gov website, link below:

<u>Live tables on planning application statistics - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)</u>

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

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

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