

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
15 May 2023
Our ref: 9600745

Thank you for your request received on 14 April 2023, for the following information:

Dear Sir/Madam,

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

- 1. With regard to your Local Authority's fiscal situation, how much do you need to save in the next fiscal year (23/24) in order to deliver a balanced budget?**
- 2. How many Social Worker vacancies does your Local Authority have across all of its Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?**
- 3. How many Locum/Agency Social Workers are current in post across all of your Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?**
- 4. How many people are waiting for an initial adult social care assessment from your Local Authority as of today's date?**
- 5. How many of those currently waiting for an adult social care assessment have been waiting longer than 3 months, and how many longer than 6 months.**
- 6. How many care plan annual reviews are outstanding across all your Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?**
- 7. How many of these reviews are overdue by 0 - 3 months?**
- 8. How many of these reviews are overdue by 3 - 6 months?**
- 9. How many of these reviews are overdue by 6 months or more?**
- 10. How many packages of care for adults (18+ years old) is the Local Authority funding at a cost of £750 or more per week, including supported living placements, care home placements and care at home?**
- 11. How many adult packages of care are currently joint funded between your Local Authority and the NHS?**
- 12. How many continuing healthcare screening assessments have been**

completed by your Adult Social Care Teams each month over the past 12 months?

13. What model of working do your Adult Social Care Teams currently use, i.e. 3 conversations model?

14. What case management system is currently used by your Adult Social Care Teams, i.e. Liquid Logic, Mosaic, AIS, Swift?

15. If a resident in your Local Authority area was on the waiting list for a Care Act (2014) assessment and instead of waiting for an assessment from one of your Social Workers, paid for an independent Social Worker to complete a Care Act assessment, would the Local Authority accept this as a complete assessment and arrange support as recommended in the assessment, or would a Local Authority employed Social Worker still be required to complete an assessment?

I would like to receive this information via email to this email address.

Please do not hesitate to contact me on this email address should any aspect of my request require clarification.

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

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.

1. With regard to your Local Authority's fiscal situation, how much do you need to save in the next fiscal year (23/24) in order to deliver a balanced budget?

= Data available by other means- www.Barnet.gov.uk at the following link.

<https://barnet.moderngov.co.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=162&Mld=11170>

2. How many Social Worker vacancies does your Local Authority have across all of its Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?

= Data not held - Information not held or available on vacancies.

3. How many Locum/Agency Social Workers are current in post across all of your Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?

= 49 Agency Social Workers in Adults and Health

4. How many people are waiting for an initial adult social care assessment from your Local Authority as of today's date?

= 325

5. How many of those currently waiting for an adult social care assessment have been waiting longer than 3 months, and how many longer than 6 months.

= 93 (3 months+)
= 51 (6 months+)

6. How many care plan annual reviews are outstanding across all your Adult Social Care Teams as of today's date?

= 2557

7. How many of these reviews are overdue by 0 - 3 months?

= 548

8. How many of these reviews are overdue by 3 - 6 months?

= 255

9. How many of these reviews are overdue by 6 months or more?

= 1754

10. How many packages of care for adults (18+ years old) is the Local Authority funding at a cost of £750 or more per week, including supported living placements, care home placements and care at home?

= 1335

11. How many adult packages of care are currently joint funded between your Local Authority and the NHS? = 347

12. How many continuing healthcare screening assessments have been completed by your Adult Social Care Teams each month over the past 12 months?

Information not held - Please refer to <https://nclhealthandcare.org.uk/> and <https://gps.northcentrallondon.icb.nhs.uk/service/continuing-healthcare-ncl-icb>

13. What model of working do your Adult Social Care Teams currently use, i.e. 3 conversations model?

= Strength based practice 'Your conversation - Your life'.

14. What case management system is currently used by your Adult Social Care Teams, i.e. Liquid Logic, Mosaic, AIS, Swift?

= Mosaic

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= YES, Employed Social Workers

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

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.