

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London, NW9 4EW
21 March 2024
Our ref: 11636373

Thank you for your request received on 22 February 2024, for the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('the Act') to request information from London Borough of Barnet regarding the enforcement of the Welfare at Time of Killing (England) Regulations 2015 - hereafter referred to as 'WATOK'.

Please respond to the following questions, providing separate figures for decapods and cephalopods. We have provided an Excel table for your convenience. We are happy to receive the information in this form, or any other.

- 1. How many members of staff (or full-time equivalent) does the Council employ with responsibility for ensuring the WATOK Regulations are enforced.**
- 2. What training have staff members received in relation to ensuring the Council's enforcement obligations under WATOK are fulfilled.**
- 3. What guidance, if any, the Council has issued relating to adherence to WATOK to a) Officers and b) businesses**
- 4. Any policies the Council has in place relating to the sale of live animals on Council owned land, including markets.**
- 5. How many reports to the Council have been made regarding the adherence to WATOK Regulations in each of the past 3 years for which data is available.**

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as required by your duty to advise and assist requesters.

If any of this information is already in the public domain, please direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, please supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement, as information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12 of the Act, please provide advice and assistance as required by Section 16 of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

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

Response

1. How many members of staff (or full-time equivalent) does the Council employ with responsibility for ensuring the WATOK Regulations are enforced.

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2. What training have staff members received in relation to ensuring the Council's enforcement obligations under WATOK are fulfilled.

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3. What guidance, if any, the Council has issued relating to adherence to WATOK to a) Officers and b) businesses

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4. Any policies the Council has in place relating to the sale of live animals on Council owned land, including markets.

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5. How many reports to the Council have been made regarding the adherence to WATOK Regulations in each of the past 3 years for which data is available.

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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

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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.