

London Borough of Barnet
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale NW9 4EW
13 May 2024
Our ref: 12037696

Thank you for your request received on 26 April 2024, for the following information:

We understand that each site listed in the Draft Local Plan must be suitable for development and this is done through a viability study carried out by Barnet council.

Please can we have the viability study for site 27 and site 28?

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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Please can we have the viability study for site 27 and site 28?

Each site listed in the Draft Local Plan must be suitable for development and this is explained through the Site Selection Background Paper. The Local Plan Viability Study tests the ability of developments in the London Borough of Barnet to accommodate emerging policies in the draft Local Plan, alongside other plan policies in the London Plan and rates of Community Infrastructure Levy ('CIL') in the Council's Charging Schedule. The Study takes account of the impact of the Council's planning requirements, in line with the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework ('NPPF'); the National Planning Practice Guidance ('PPG') and the Local Housing Delivery Group guidance 'Viability Testing Local Plans: Advice for planning practitioners'.

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 Viability Study is an assessment of the viability of Local Plan policies and the impact they will have upon development.

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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