

London Borough of Barnet,
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale, NW9 4EW
3 July 2024
Our ref: 12344162

Thank you for your request received on 10 June 2024, for the following information:

- 1. How many high-rise social housing premises are Barnet Borough responsible for?**
- 2. How many residents live in these premises?**
- 3. How many of those residents are children and/or vulnerable/disabled?**
- 4. How many injuries have been reported arising from someone falling from the window of a high-rise dwelling in the last 20 years, and what was the nature of those injuries?**
- 5. How many deaths have been reported arising from someone falling from the window of a rise-rise dwelling in the last 20 years?**
- 6. Do the windows in your high-rise dwellings meet British Standards in terms of their dimensions, building regulations and safety features?**
- 7. If your windows do not meet British Standards in terms of their dimensions, building regulations and safety features, what efforts have you made to notify your tenants?**
- 8. Have you retro fitted any window restrictors? If so, what type, how many and when?**
- 9. What inspections have you carried out, to check if furniture in the high-rise premises (e.g beds under windows in small bedrooms) has affected compliance with building regulations in terms of the distance between the floor and the window?**
- 10. Are you willing to fit permanently fixed restrictors to all windows in your highrise housing stock to completely negate the risk of future deaths?**

***Please provide documentation in support of your answers where available.**

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

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and the information you requested is not held by London Borough of Barnet.

Housing services (including homelessness, allocations, housing repairs and so forth) are provided by Barnet Homes who are an Arm's Length Management Organisation (ALMO) who manage the council's housing stock and associated services on the council's behalf. They are a public authority under Freedom of Information Act 2000 and so you may make a FOI request to them.

Their contact details are:

Email: talk2us@barnethomes.org

Post: The Data Controller
Barnet Homes
2 Bristol Avenue,
Colindale,
London NW9 4EW

Please make your request directly to Barnet Homes.

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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Management Service, Assurance Group, London Borough of Barnet, 2 Bristol Avenue, Colindale, NW9 4EW

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