

London Borough of Barnet,  
2 Bristol Avenue,  
Colindale NW9 4EW  
4 July 2024  
Our ref: 12426076

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

**Good evening,**

**Could you please provide the amount which has been given to specifically anti-racist charities and anti-hate crime charities (and other groups for instance they may not be charities) over the past 10 years?**

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

**Response**

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**S12 - Cost limit (Exceeds Appropriate Limit)**

We are refusing your request under section 12 because we estimate that compliance with your request will exceed the "appropriate limit" under section 12. The appropriate limit is £450 which is equivalent to 18 hours at £25 per hour. The per hour figure is set by Regulation rather than actual salary paid to any officers handling requests. The appropriate limit includes the time it will take the council to discover if it holds the information requested, to locate it, extract it and collate it as well as putting it into any particular format requested by the requester.

The request is potentially very broad, as, without a definition or examples of what this would entail, the council would have to first review all its spending on all third party organisations to identify whether that organisation is anti-hate or anti-racist. That decision, while potentially an informed decision, would have to be based on a qualitative and subjective definition of what constitutes "anti-hate" or "anti-racist". It is also unclear from your request whether the information you're looking for refers to organisations for whom "anti-racism" and "anti-hate crime" are their primary purposes, and organisations that have a stated position that is "anti-racist" or "anti-hate crime", as I suspect that most organisations, if asked, would claim to be against racism and hate crimes.

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Due to the incredibly broad nature of the request, therefore, it is impossible to estimate the time this would take. However, it would be sure to exceed the 18 hour

limit as set out in the regulations.

## **Advice and Assistance**

In order to narrow the request down, you may wish to list those organisations that you believe fall under the headings in your request.

Alternatively, all council expenditure is published on our Open Barnet data portal:

[Search | Barnet Open Data](#)

If you know the types of organisation that fall under your request, you may be able to identify them here.

## **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](http://www.ico.org.uk)

**For the avoidance of doubt the provision of council (and other) officer names and contact details under FOI does not give consent to receive direct marketing via any media and expressly does not constitute a 'soft opt-in' under PECR.**

## **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](mailto: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](http://www.ico.org.uk)). There is no charge for making an appeal.

