

London Borough of Barnet  
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Colindale,  
London, NW9 4EW  
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Our ref: 12950284

Thank you for your request received on 17 September 2024, for the following information:

**Under freedom of information act, I would like to see the pavement scoring of all footways assessed for 2024/25.**

**I find it very hard to believe that our paving was not one of the worst. Graham Perrior together with Kris Taveres met me on our Road a number of years ago with the late cllr Gordon and told me our pavements was one of the worst he had seen in the borough and was convinced that it would be selected for an overhaul.**

**And yet every year we are told that we did not score high enough. How can it be when every paving slab is either cracked, uneven or unstable and the ridge slabs are coming away.**

**Please do get hold of the data so we can see why we are consistently overlooked.**

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

## **Response**

I can confirm that London Borough of Barnet holds the information you requested.

However, we believe that the exemptions detailed below apply to some of this information and this is withheld. Please see the Refusal Notice below.

All roads within Barnet were subject to an independent condition assessment whereby the proposed schemes were identified and prioritised using an asset management approach across the borough, using whole life costing and good asset management principles to ensure that investment is targeted where it is most needed.

## **S21 - Material already published**

Under section 21 of the Act, we are not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you by other means.

The lowest scored footway resurfacing scheme being Eastville Avenue (Golders Green) with a score of 76.7. The full programme can be found online at ([Public Pack](#))[Agenda Document for Cabinet, 12/03/2024 19:00 \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#).

Whilst Ashcombe Gardens did not score sufficiently to generate a score, or be included in the programme, the Highways Inspection Team will continue to undertake a cyclical inspection of carriageways/footways, during these inspections work orders will be raised for all safety critical defects in accordance with the Highways Safety Inspection Manual.

## **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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