

8 November 2024
Our ref: 13267125

Thank you for your request received on 28 October 2024, for the following information:

- . **For the financial year 2023/24, what was the local authority's total spend on temporary accommodation?**
- . **For the financial year 2023/24, as a percentage of the overall council revenue budget, how much was spent on temporary accommodation costs?**
- . **For the most recent 12-month period for which data is available, how much did the local authority spend on temporary accommodation?**
- . **For the same period as the above response, how many households have been housed in temporary accommodation by the local authority?**
- . **For the same period as above, how much did the local authority spend on house building delivery?**
- . **How many homes is this spend anticipated to deliver?**

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

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below

- . ***For the financial year 2023/24, what was the local authority's total spend on temporary accommodation?***

Total spend on Temporary Accommodation was £29m for the 23/24 financial year.

- . ***For the financial year 2023/24, as a percentage of the overall council revenue budget, how much was spent on temporary accommodation costs?***

Outturn for the Council after reserves for 23/24 per the draft Statement of accounts is £391m, therefore 7.4%.

- . ***For the most recent 12-month period for which data is available, how much did the local authority spend on temporary accommodation?***

On just Temporary Accommodation the spend for last 6 months of 23/24 was £17m. For the first 6 months of 24/25 the spend was £19.9m. So, total spend for the period from October 2023 to September 2024 was approximately £36.9m.

. For the same period as the above response, how many households have been housed in temporary accommodation by the local authority?

In the period October 2023 to September 2024 the service made 1,486 new admissions into temporary accommodation. Over the same period, 1,064 households left temporary accommodation.

. For the same period as above, how much did the local authority spend on house building delivery?

This information is not easily available. The approximate capital spend for 23/24 on new build in the Council was approximately £46m.

. How many homes is this spend anticipated to deliver?

Some of this spend is on the early stages of longer-term programs that can deliver a number of homes in the future, and some is on programs near completion. The above spend is not relative to the number of homes these programs relate to.

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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