



My Ref: FOI5578
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following recorded information. From the current financial year's budgeted figures and the prior three years outturn (i.e. years ended 31st March 2023, 31st March 2024 and 31st March 2025:

1. Climate-related posts a) The number of posts (headcount, and FTE where recorded) employed by the council with job titles that include any of the following terms: Climate; Net Zero; Sustainability; Carbon; Emissions; Environmental Sustainability; Climate Change; Climate Action; Climate Policy; Climate Programme; Climate Project; Climate Data; Climate Reporting; Climate Adaptation; Climate Resilience; Energy and Climate; Sustainable Procurement; Green Finance; Green; Climate crisis; Climate emergency.

Year	No of Positions	Job Titles	Headcount	FTE
2022/23	7	1 X Group Leader Sustainability & Climate Change 1 X Energy & Water Data Officer 3 X Project Manager 2 X Project Support Officer	7	6.68
2023/24	7	1 X Group Leader Sustainability & Climate Change 1 X Energy & Water Data Officer 3 X Project Manager 2 X Project Support Officer	5 (energy & water data officer vacant, 1 Project manager vacant)	5
2024/25	7	1 X Group Leader Sustainability & Climate Change 1 X Energy & Water Data Officer 3 X Project Manager 2 X Project Support Officer	5 (energy & water data officer vacant, 1 Project manager vacant)	5
2025/26	1	1 X Energy & Water Data Officer	1	1

2. Cost of those posts The total employment cost for the posts identified in Question 1, including salary and employer on-costs (e.g. pension and National Insurance), as recorded by the council.

Year	Actual Exp	Budgeted Exp
2022/23	248,849	
2023/24	248,334	
2024/25	262,020	
2025/26		35,412

3. External consultants The total amount paid during the same financial year to external consultants, companies, or contractors where the expenditure is recorded under any cost centre, project code, budget line, or purchase description that includes one or more of the following terms: Climate; Net Zero; Sustainability; Carbon; Emissions; Environmental Sustainability; Climate Change; Climate Action; Climate Policy; Climate Programme; Climate Project; Climate Data; Climate Reporting; Climate Adaptation; Climate Resilience; Energy and Climate; Sustainable Procurement; Green Finance; Green; Climate crisis; Climate emergency.

Year	Actual Exp
2022/23	39,999
2023/24	27,587
2024/25	8,895
2025/26	8,967

This should include, but not be limited to, expenditure coded to professional services, consultancy, advisory services, or specialist support. If the council does not record expenditure in this way, please provide the closest equivalent recorded information held (for example, totals by relevant cost centre or project). If any information requested is not held, please state this clearly.

If figures are held only in aggregated form, please provide the aggregated figures. Estimates derived from recorded financial information are acceptable. If complying with this request would exceed the cost limit under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act, please provide advice and assistance under Section 16 as to how the request may be refined.

Please provide the information requested above in the following table format, where held: Financial Year Job Title Staff Costs including on-costs (£) Headcount Consultant Spend

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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
S70 9GG
email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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