

My Ref: FOI/ 5015

Enquiries to: Information Requests

E-Mail: <u>informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk</u>

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 information for the most recent financial year available (2022/23, and 2023/24 if finalised):

1. The total amount of council tax collected by Barnsley Council.

2022/2023 £128,485,062 2023/2024 £134,493,841

- 2. A breakdown of how that money was spent, including categories such as:
 - Waste and recycling services
 - Housing (including hotels, temporary accommodation, meals, clothing, and other support)
 - Social care
 - Education
 - Highways and transport
 - Staff pensions
 - Payments made to precepting authorities (such as Police, Fire, or Combined Authority)

This information is available via the Council's annual statement of accounts which can be found in the enclosed link

Annual statement of accounts

3. Any recorded spending by the council on accommodation or support for asylum seekers or refugees.

The total recorded spend per status is

2022/23 483,868 2023/24 420.566

These cost have been funded in their entirety by a specific grant received form Central Government and therefore not funded through locally raised council tax 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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