



My Ref: FOI 6712
Enquiries to: Information Requests
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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: -

1. How many homes had a selective licence, if applicable, on 31 March 2025?

There is no selective licencing scheme in Barnsley

2. How many homes had an additional licence, if applicable, on 31 March 2025?

There is no additional licence scheme in Barnsley

3. How many full-time equivalent officers did the council employ to enforce the Housing Act 2004 on 31 March 2026?

The Housing Act 2004 is a wide piece of legislation of which delegated powers have been allocated to many teams across several services, including Berneslai Homes. 27 Officers within the Safer Communities Service had the authority to act using this legislation on this date. Please note, these are not full-time equivalent posts dealing solely with discharging duties under this or other housing legislation.

4. For 2024-25 financial year: What was the total value of final civil penalty notices that the council issued to private landlords?

£39,971.00 – excluding any credit notes

5. For 2025-26 financial year: How many complaints did the council receive from private renters regarding hazards in their home?

1,419

6. How many private rented homes did the council inspect under the Housing Health and Safety Rating System?

447

7. In how many private rented homes did the council find Category 1 hazards?

34

8. How many improvement notices did the council serve on private rented homes? Please do not include hazard awareness notices or other informal notices in this figure.

34

9. How many enforcement notices under Minimum Energy Efficiency Standards did the council serve?

3

10. How many final civil penalty notices did the council issue to private landlords?

20

11. What was the total value of final civil penalty notices that the council issued to private landlords?

This is a repeat of question 4

12. What was the total value of civil penalties that the council collected? (We note that some of this value may relate to penalty notices issued in the previous financial year.)

£23,874.67

13. How many landlords of private rented homes were successfully prosecuted for criminal offences?

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Kind regards,

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