



My Ref: FOI 5548  
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: -

**1a. Requests to be entered onto the Electoral Register**

- **1aa. During the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many people submitted requests to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered to vote?**

15,675

- **1ab. During the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many of the requests submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered to vote led to the individual being added to the electoral register?**

14,392

**1b. Requests to be entered onto the Electoral Register with a second address**

- **1ba. If held as a discrete data field, during the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many requests were submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered to vote were for individuals with more than one address?**

- **1bb. If held as a discrete data field, during the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many of the requests submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered to vote and having more than one address, led to the individual being added to the electoral register?**

We do not hold this information.

**1c. Requests around postal votes**

- **1ca. During the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many requests were submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered for postal voting?**

8,221

- **1cb. During the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, how many requests submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered for postal voting resulted in the applicant being granted a postal vote?**

8,150

- 1cc. If held as a discrete data field, during the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, out of all requests submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered for postal voting that led to applicants being granted a postal vote, how many of the requests were in the form of a new electoral registration request (as in the postal vote application was accompanied by a new request to be entered on the electoral register)?

- 1cd. If held as a discrete data field, during the period 01/01/2025 - 01/01/2026, out of all requests submitted to Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services to be registered for postal voting that led to applicants being granted a postal vote, how many of the requests were from individuals previously entered on the electoral register?

We do not hold this information.

## **2. Entries on the Electoral Register**

- 2a. At the point in time of 01/01/2026, how many people were registered to vote on Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's electoral register?

186,807

- 2b. At the point in time of 01/01/2026, did Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council hold any data or estimates relating to electoral registration completeness (as in, an estimate of the percentage of people registered to vote out of every person entitled to be registered to vote in the region covered by Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council's Electoral Services)? If yes, what is this percentage/estimated percentage?

96.13% complete

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Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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