



My Ref: FOI 6328
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: -

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the following structured data regarding the council's corporate Project Management Office (PMO) or equivalent change/transformation delivery functions.

To assist you and keep this request within the statutory cost limit, please provide short answers to the following 5 distinct points:

- 1. PMO Structure: Does the council currently operate a centralized corporate PMO, or are project management functions completely decentralized across individual service directorates?**
- 2. Staffing Headcount: What is the total current headcount (expressed as Full-Time Equivalents / FTE) of dedicated project managers, programme managers, and PMO analysts directly employed or contracted by the council?**
- 3. Software Tooling: What specific Project Portfolio Management (PPM) software, work management platforms, or enterprise dashboard tools (e.g., Smartsheet, Microsoft Project, Monday.com, Jira, Excel) are officially mandated for tracking corporate project risk, budgets, and milestone delivery?**
- 4. Annual Budget: What was the total operational budget allocated specifically to the corporate PMO or central transformation team for the most recent financial year broken into staffing and other costs?**
- 5. LGR Transition Governance (If Applicable): If the council is currently undergoing or actively preparing for Local Government Reorganisation (LGR), has a temporary or dedicated "Shadow Council" or "Joint Transition Committee" PMO function been established? If yes, who is the appointed Interim Programme Director or Senior Responsible Officer (SRO) leading that transition?**
- 6. What is your total annual spend on external consultants, suppliers or technology companies in relation to project management office support.**

Barnsley Council currently does not have a centralised corporate PMO, projects are managed within individual directorates. We are currently exploring options to strengthen our programme and project management capacity and capabilities at an organisational level.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests Via email.

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

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PO Box 634
Barnsley
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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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