

My Ref: FOI/ 4685

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: -

I would like to request data on the eligibility and access to Free School Meals (FSM) for children in households affected by the NRPF condition. Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would be grateful if you could provide the following information:

Please provide the number of children in your local authority who are living in families with NRPF and who are currently in receipt of Free School Meals, as of the most recent available data. Any available policy or guidance that your local authority uses to determine FSM eligibility for children in NRPF households? The date from which your local authority began recording this category? (if applicable).

We do not record this data within the system we use to award Free School Meals, so we are unable to provide a number. We follow the Department for Education Guidance for Providing free school meals to families with no recourse to public funds.

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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