



My Ref: FOI 6188
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

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 am requesting information relating to applicants identified as veterans of the UK Armed Forces within your authority's housing and homelessness services.

Please provide the following information for each financial year from 2020/21 to the most recent complete year available.

Please provide the data in Excel or CSV format where possible.

1. Housing Register

Please provide:

- **The number of households on the housing register identified as veterans of the UK Armed Forces.**
- **The number of veteran households added to the housing register during each reporting year.**

We do not hold this information. This is held by Berneslai Homes.

2. Social Housing Allocations

Please provide:

- **The number of veteran households allocated social housing.**

We do not hold this information. This is held by Berneslai Homes.

3. Homelessness Applications

Please provide:

- **The number of homelessness applications where the applicant was identified as a veteran of the UK Armed Forces.**
- **The number of veteran households owed:**
 - **Prevention Duty**
 - **Relief Duty**
 - **Main Housing Duty**

Year:	Prevention:	Relief:	Main Duty:
2021/22	11	15	2
2022/23	5	14	2
2023/24	11	22	5
2024/25	6	22	1
2025/26	8	24	1

4. Temporary Accommodation

Please provide:

- **The number of veteran households placed into temporary accommodation.**

Year:	Number of placements:
2021/22	6
2022/23	11
2023/24	11
2024/25	4
2025/26	13

5. Armed Forces Covenant Recording

Please confirm:

- **Whether your authority records Armed Forces veteran status within housing or homelessness systems.**

Yes

- **Whether veteran status is recorded through self-identification or another method.**

Self-identification

- **Whether your authority has specific housing guidance, policy, or procedures relating to the Armed Forces Covenant.**

Yes, the housing allocations policy - [berneslai-homes-lettings-policy-2024.pdf](#)

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Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
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Barnsley
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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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