



My Ref: FOI 5905
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.

Barnsley Metropolitan Borough Council does not currently hold or routinely record data in a way that would allow the information requested to be extracted.

Specifically:

1. **The number of individuals and households supported by the council under the “No Recourse to Public Funds” (NRPF) condition for the years 2023, 2024 and 2025**

The Council does not maintain a central dataset that identifies or records the number of individuals or households supported specifically under NRPF conditions. As a result, this information is not held for the requested years.

2. **The total annual cost to the council of providing support to individuals or households with NRPF status for the years 2023, 2024 and 2025**

The Council does not separately record or attribute expenditure based on NRPF status. Costs associated with support are not coded or analysed in a way that would allow NRPF-specific expenditure to be identified, and therefore this information is not held.

3. **The number of households supported where the need for assistance was linked to:**
 - an ongoing immigration or visa application
 - a pending immigration appeal
 - delays in a Home Office decision

The Council does not record the reason for support in relation to immigration status or Home Office processes in a structured or reportable format. Consequently, it is not possible to identify or quantify households supported for the reasons listed, and this information is not held.

4. **The average length of time households with NRPF were supported by the council**

5.

The Council does not record support durations specifically in relation to NRPF status. As such, average support periods for households with NRPF cannot be calculated, and this information is not held.

6. The number of families with dependent children included within NRPF support figures

While information may be held on families with dependent children receiving support more generally, the Council does not record or flag whether such families are subject to NRPF conditions. Therefore, the requested information is not held.

In accordance with section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Council confirms that the information requested is not held.

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

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Information Requests Team
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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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