

Oflog Metrics with Comparators

The Office for Local Government (Oflog) launched the Local Authority Data Explorer in 2023, a new online tool which brings together a selection of existing metrics across a subset of service areas for data that is available at different levels of local authority. Following consultation in the latter part of 2023, a number of new indicators and service areas have been added, and existing areas expanded. The Oflog data explorer also includes information on Adult Skills and Roads, however this is not available at local authority level for Barnet, so is not included below.

The tables below show the data relevant to Barnet for the selected metrics along with comparative data for the borough's Nearest Neighbours and the England median; new indicators for Q3 are shown in italics.

We have given an indication of whether we are on a par, better or worse than our comparators (both London and England average) at that time to give a sense of how we compare against our peers but this should be considered in conjunction with the additional data in Appendix B.

Further information is available at <https://oflog.data.gov.uk/>

Caring for People

Adult Social Care

Indicator	Polarity	Financial year	Barnet	Median of Barnet's CIPFA Nearest Neighbours	England median	Performance against Comparators
Quality of life of people who use services - adjusted to account only for the additional impact of local-authority funded social care on quality of life, removing non-service-related factors (underlying health and care needs, gender, and so on) (1B in the ASCOF).	Bigger is better	2021-22	0.400	0.408	0.409	On a par
Quality of life of carers (1C in the ASCOF).	Bigger is better	2021-22	6.6	7	7.2	On a par
The proportion of people who received short-term services during the year – who previously were not receiving services – where no further request was made for ongoing support (2A in the ASCOF).	Bigger is better	2021-22	54.50%	77.40%	76.40%	Better
The proportion of people who use services who find it easy to find information about services (3D (1) in the ASCOF) – to be combined with 5 from 2024.	Bigger is better	2021-22	62.90%	65.80%	65.20%	On a par
The proportion of carers who find it easy to find information about support (3D (2) in the ASCOF) – to be combined with 4 from 2024.	Bigger is better	2021-22	51.30%	54.90%	57.30%	On a par
The proportion of requests for support to the LA which result in a service multiplied by the number of requests per 100,000 population.	Bigger is better	2021-22	1259 per 100,000 population	1276 per 100,000 population	1708 per 100,000 population	Better
Staff turnover in the workforce (The proportion of directly employed staff in the formal care workforce leaving their role in the past 12 months)	Smaller is better	2021-22	26.70%	26.80%	29.00%	On a par

Caring for Our Places

Waste Management

Indicator	Polarity	Financial year	Barnet	Median of Barnet's CIPFA Nearest Neighbours	England median	Performance against Comparators
Proportion of household waste sent for recycling.	Bigger is better	2021-22	29.80%	38.40%	41.90%	Worse
Residual (i.e., non-recycled) waste per household (tonnes).	Smaller is better	2021-22	653.9 kg per household	517.9 kg per household	501.1 kg per household	Worse
Contamination rate of recycling - calculated as estimated proportion that is rejected of total amount of household waste sent for recycling.	Smaller is better	2021-22	8.30%	5.10%	5.50%	Worse

Planning

Indicator	Polarity	Financial year	Barnet	Median of Barnet's CIPFA Nearest Neighbours	England median	Performance against Comparators
<i>Percentage of major planning applications decided on time</i>	<i>Bigger is better</i>	<i>2020-22</i>	<i>82.40%</i>	<i>92.30%</i>	<i>89.80%</i>	<i>Worse</i>
<i>Percentage of non-major planning applications decided on time</i>	<i>Bigger is better</i>	<i>2020-22</i>	<i>87.30%</i>	<i>88.10%</i>	<i>88.20%</i>	<i>On a par</i>
<i>Percentage of major planning applications overturned on appeal</i>	<i>Smaller is better</i>	<i>2020-22</i>	<i>1.90%</i>	<i>1.80%</i>	<i>1.40%</i>	<i>On a par</i>
<i>Percentage of non-major planning applications overturned on appeal</i>	<i>Smaller is better</i>	<i>2020-22</i>	<i>2.80%</i>	<i>1.60%</i>	<i>0.70%</i>	<i>Worse</i>

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Finance

Indicator	Polarity	Financial year	Barnet	Median of Barnet's CIPFA Nearest Neighbours	England median	Performance against Comparators
Reserves as a percentage of Net Revenue Expenditure.	Bigger is better	2021-22	71.20%	60.20%	54.90%	Better
Reserves as a percentage of service spend.	Bigger is better	2021-22	53.10%	45.90%	44.60%	Better
Total Core Spending Power per dwelling.	Not applicable	2021-22	£1,878.97	£1,921.97	£1,885.14	Not applicable
Level of Band D council tax rates.	Smaller is better	2021-22	£1,337.33	£1,402.00	£1,554.02	Better
Council tax revenue per dwelling.	Bigger is better	2021-22	£1,668.65	£1,542.68	£1,293.42	Better
Social care spend as % of Core Spending Power.	Smaller is better	2021-22	72.30%	63.70%	66.40%	Worse
Debt servicing as % of Core Spending Power.	Not applicable	2021-22	7.70%	9.60%	9.00%	Not applicable
Total debt as % of Core Spending Power.	Smaller is better	2021-22	265.10%	267.90%	226.70%	On a par
<i>Number of upheld complaints</i>	<i>Smaller is better</i>	<i>2021-22</i>	<i>5.4 per 100,000 population</i>	<i>6.1 per 100,000 population</i>	<i>4.6 per 100,000 population</i>	On a par
<i>Council tax collection rates (in year)</i>	<i>Bigger is better</i>	<i>2021-22</i>	<i>94.50%</i>	<i>96.40%</i>	<i>95.20%</i>	Worse
<i>Non-domestic rates collection rates (in year)</i>	<i>Bigger is better</i>	<i>2021-22</i>	<i>90.80%</i>	<i>95.10%</i>	<i>96.20%</i>	Worse