

Reference: 28809809  
Date: 12 May 2023

Dear Jamie Dixon

**Re: Freedom of Information Act 2000**

We write in reference to your Freedom of Information request.

Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides two distinct but related rights of access to information which impose corresponding duties on public authorities. These are:

- The duty to inform the applicant whether or not information is held by the authority and, if so,
- The duty to communicate that information to the applicant

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham, when refusing to provide such information (because the information is exempt within the provisions of the Act) to provide you, the applicant, with a Notice which:

- a) states the fact that an exemption has been applied
- b) specifies the exemption in question, and
- c) states why the exemption applies (if that would not otherwise be apparent)

I am pleased to provide some of the information you have requested. I have detailed below the information below and any exemptions that applied;

*Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I would like to request the number of bus lane penalty charge notices (contravention code 34) issued for the 2021/22 financial year.*

*1a) I would like to request both the number of bus lane PCNs issued, as well as*

Section 21 - Information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means. This is an absolute exemption.

These figures are contained in our annual report which is published online at the following link:

<https://www.lbbd.gov.uk/sites/default/files/2023-03/Annual%20Parking%20Report%20V10%20%28publish%29.pdf>

- b) the revenue generated from these during this period.

£88,928.15

## **Internal Review Procedure**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request then you have a right under Section 50 of the Act to request an internal review. All such requests must be sent to us within 8 weeks and must clearly state your reference number and your reason for your request for an internal review.

We will respond to your request for an internal review within 20 working days of receipt. Your request for an internal review should be sent by email to [foi@lbbd.gov.uk](mailto:foi@lbbd.gov.uk) quoting your FOI reference number.

## **Information Commissioners Office**

Should you remain dissatisfied with the final outcome of the internal review then you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner (the "ICO") for an independent review. The ICO is the Government's Independent Body responsible for overseeing the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Data Protection Act 1998 and The Environmental Information Regulations 2004. Please note the ICO will only review cases that have exhausted the council's internal review procedure. All correspondence to the ICO must quote the council's reference number and your reasons for your appeal. The ICO's contact details are as follows;

The Information Commissioners Office,  
Wycliffe House,  
Water Lane, Wilmslow,  
Cheshire,  
SK9 5AF.

More information can be found at the ICO's website at <http://www.ico.org.uk> If you have any further enquiries about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing [foi@lbbd.gov.uk](mailto:foi@lbbd.gov.uk)

We trust you find the above to be satisfactory but should you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

The FOI Team