



FOI: 32881041 Top 10 most popular library books since 2016

- How many libraries does the local authority maintain?

Response:

7 landing Libraries
1 Local History & Archives Library (reference)

- A breakdown of the number of books borrowed between January 1, 2016 to present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

See attached excel spreadsheet at the bottom of this document.

- A breakdown of the number of books not returned between January 1, 2016 to present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

See attached excel spreadsheet at the bottom of this document. Information only available for 2021.

- A breakdown of the cost of fines given out for library books not being returned, damaged or lost between January 1, 2016 to present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

See attached excel spreadsheet at the bottom of this document for a breakdown. Please note London Borough of Tower Hamlets Council's Cabinet decided to abolish all fines for stock from April 2020. Children and adults 65 plus did not pay fines.

- A breakdown of the top ten borrowed books (by book title and author's name) between January 1 2016 and present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

See attached excel spreadsheet at the bottom of this document. Information only available for 2020/21.

- A breakdown of the number of library members for each year between January 1, 2016 to present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

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- A breakdown of the number of books and titles banned by libraries between January 1, 2016 to present day (November 29, 2021).

Response:

Information not available.

Please provide the requested data in a spreadsheet format, with the data broken down by year and other specific filters I have asked for.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters.

If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

I understand that you are required to respond to my request within the 20 working days after you receive this letter. I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request.

I am submitting this Freedom of Information request from my colleague Claire Wilde's WhatDoTheyKnow account.

Freedom of Information Act 2000

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and some of the information you requested is not held by Tower Hamlets Council. Some of the historical information are not available on our library management system which was upgraded in 2019.

I have enclosed copies of the information that is held.



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