

Information Governance Report

Responses to Requests

Period: 01/10/2011- 31/10/2011

Type	Sub Enquiry ID	Date Received	Date Responded	Service	Enquiry Details	Response Details
Public	10569	05/09/2011	03/10/2011	Payments	<p>Subject: Payments to Conference & Event Organisers</p> <p>Would you please advise the total value of payments made by the council in financial years 2008 – 2009; 2009 – 2010 and 2010 – 2011 to each of the following organisations?</p> <p>1) Local Government Information Unit, Company number 0187 2218.</p> <p>2) Partnership Media Group Ltd, Company Number 03307092; VAT Number 686 2779 74. (Partnership Media Group also trades as Inside Government and as GovNet Communications)</p> <p>3) GovNet Communications Ltd (Company Number 04970168)</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see below total value of payments made to the following organisations:</p> <p>1) Local Government Information Unit, Company number 0187 2218:</p> <p>2008/09 - £34,832.14 2009/10 - £33,101.25 2010/11 - £851.88</p> <p>2) Partnership Media Group Ltd, Company Number 03307092; VAT Number 686 2779 74. (Partnership Media Group also trades as Inside Government and as GovNet Communications):</p> <p>2009/10 - £228.85</p> <p>3) GovNet Communications Ltd</p>

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Public	10570	05/09/2011	03/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Violence Against Teachers</p> <p>1)How many incidents of violence were recorded against primary school teachers by pupils in your council area in each of the last three academic years, broken down by sex of teacher?</p> <p>2)Of those assaults, how many involved (a) verbal attacks (b) physical attacks without a weapon and (C) physical attacks with a weapon?</p> <p>3)For each of the incidents involving weapons, please supply me with: The age of the person accused of assault The nature of the assault and details of the weapon used</p> <p>4)How many incidents of violence were recorded against primary school teachers by pupils in your council area in each of the last three academic years that involved the teacher requiring medical treatment, broken down by sex of teacher?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1)The Authority only collects from schools details about events that lead to permanent exclusions. From this data the following can be established with regard to primary age pupils:</p> <p>2008/09 Academic Year: One pupil verbally threatened a member of staff. Two pupils physically assaulted a member of staff without a weapon. 2009/10 Academic Year: No incidents recorded. 2010/11 Academic Year: One pupil verbally threatened a member of staff. 2) Please see above. 3) No incidents involved the use of a weapon. 4) The Authority does not record the gender of the teachers assaulted regarding permanent exclusion cases. None of the teachers assaulted required medical treatment.</p>
Media	10573	05/09/2011	03/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	Subject: Youngsters removed from their parents	Summary:

					<p>1) I would like to know the how many youngsters (under the age of 10) have been removed from their parents by social workers in your borough.</p> <p>2) How many of those removed from their parents were placed with foster parents?</p> <p>3) How many were later reunited with their parents after inquiries revealed there was no justification why the children were taken away?</p> <p>4) How many were permanently removed from the parental home and taken into care?</p>	<p>1) 106 children started to be looked after in 2010/11 and 124 children in 2009/10.</p> <p>2) 95 children were placed with foster parents in 2010/11 and 108 children in 2009/10.</p> <p>3) Children are returned to the care of their parents/families for a number of reasons all of which will be underpinned by a process of assessment indicating that it is safe/appropriate for a child to return. In 2010/11, 36 children were returned to the care of their parents/families and 58 children in 2009/10.</p> <p>4) 59 children were not returned to their parents/ families in 2010/11. 50 children were not returned in 2009/10.</p>
Organisation	10571	05/09/2011	03/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Fostering outside LBN</p> <p>1. A copy of any literature, online or physical, that is related to enquiring about the availability of foster parents.</p> <p>2. A list of locations that this literature has been distributed in.</p> <p>3. The total amount paid to the council by the government for looked after children in the financial year 2009-10 and 2010-11.</p> <p>4. The total amount paid to foster parents to take on looked after children in 2009-10 and 2010-11,</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Please see attached our 'Taster Leaflet' for initial enquiries and our detailed 'Recruitment Brochure' which outlines the fostering assessment process (this is a joint leaflet with information about adoption also). The Recruitment Brochure is due to be updated, as the fostering assessment process has now changed slightly, hence the attached information sheet that is sent out with the brochure. Amendments will also take into account the new Government changes to the retirement age. One of our</p>

				<p>broken down by those that live inside the Borough and those that live outside the Borough.</p> <p>5. An indication of where the surplus money generated from questions 3 and 4 goes.</p>	<p>posters is also attached. We also have detailed fostering information on our website www.newham.gov.uk/fostering.</p> <p>2. The Carer Recruitment Team attend many events throughout the year. These will include corporate events such as the Mayor's Newham Show and the Sunday Fun Day. We also have a presence at local supermarkets, shopping malls, schools' open days, specific events organised to mark Foster Care Fortnight and regular events held within Newham Dockside's foyer.</p> <p>3. We have 457 looked after children, which includes those with very complex needs (i.e. disabilities), which can be very expensive. The Government does not give the Council funding specifically for Looked After Children. It allocates a total funding amount that Newham Council then allocates to service areas according to the Medium Term Budget Strategy, which takes into account many factors including levels of demand and statutory responsibilities.</p> <p>4. Please see below figures for the total amount paid to foster parents in the years requested:</p> <p>2009/10: £15,170,000 2010/11: £13,302,000</p> <p>Please note, we are unable to provide a</p>
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					<p>breakdown of amounts paid to foster parents that reside 'inside/outside' the borough as this information is not held centrally.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and have decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p> <p>To obtain this information would require an Officer to manually interrogate each individual file to find out if the Foster Parents reside in or outside of the borough. This would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p> <p>5. Please see response to question 3. There can be no such "surplus".</p> <p>(DOCUMENTS ATTACHED)</p>
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Media	10581	06/09/2011	04/10/2011	Recycling, Cleansing and Waste collection Policy	<p>Subject: Recycling revenue</p> <p>1.How much did your council spend on carrying out recycling collections in the financial years 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011?</p> <p>2.How much revenue did your council raise from recycling collections by selling the items saved by householders in the financial years 2008/2009, 2009/2010 and 2010/2011?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Please see table below:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>(£)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2008/09</td> <td>100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2009/10</td> <td>100,000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2010/11</td> <td>378,673</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>2. None.</p>	Year	(£)	2008/09	100,000	2009/10	100,000	2010/11	378,673
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Media	10583	06/09/2011	04/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Exclusion from school</p> <p>1. Can you state how many children within your authority were (i) given a fixed period exclusion and (ii) permanently excluded from a school because of their involvement with a weapon of any description in the 2010/11 academic year?</p> <p>2. Please could you give a one line summary of each incident referred to in Q.1 detailing what the weapon was, if it was used or whether it was brandished, who the victim was –pupil, teacher or member of public</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. A total of 9 permanent exclusions involved a weapon for the 2010/11 academic year. Fixed term exclusion data collected by the authority does not include reference or otherwise to weapons, therefore we are unable to provide information on this.</p> <p>2.Permanent exclusions 2010/11 academic year:</p> <p>Case 1: Verbal/threatening behaviour towards another pupil using a chisel Case 2: Physical assault on another pupil using a knuckle duster Case 3: Physical assault on another pupil using a razor blade Case 4: Physical assault on another pupil using a razor blade Case 5: Verbal/threatening behaviour towards another pupil using a pellet gun Case 6: Physical assault on another pupil using aerosol</p>								

						<p>Case 7: Physical assault on another pupil using aerosol</p> <p>Case 8: Verbal/threatening behaviour towards another pupil using a knife</p> <p>Case 9: Physical assault on another pupil using a pellet gun.</p>
Public	10580	06/09/2011	04/10/2011	Housing Partnerships	<p>Subject: Council owned unoccupied properties</p> <p>1.A list of Council managed void properties (with full addresses) where a non individual is listed as either being the owner or as having a material interest in the property; and</p> <p>2.A list of private properties (with full addresses) confirmed by the Council as void where a non individual is listed as either being the owner or as having a material interest in the property.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act we have the right to refuse a request for information held if an exemption applies. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and has decided to refuse your request.</p> <p>The Council has experience of a number of individuals who, when they become aware that a property/site is vacant, use it for squatting, attempt to appropriate the property for their own use, use properties for growing drugs and other undesirable anti-social behaviour. There have recently been two murders in the borough that have taken place in empty properties.</p> <p>By disclosing the addresses of vacant properties, the Council exposes neighbourhoods to the anti-social behaviour/criminal activities associated with such issues. Our Community Safety Team and the Police are currently doing all they can to deal with these problems and the Council is not prepared to exacerbate the problem by disclosing</p>

						<p>known empty properties.</p> <p>Therefore, it is our view that Section 31(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 applies to this request. This section provides that information is exempt from disclosure if such disclosure would prejudice the “prevention or detection of crime”. To provide addresses of empty dwellings would in our view compromise the security of the buildings concerned and could enable criminal behaviour.</p> <p>We also believe that Section 38 applies which states, “Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would be likely to – (a) endanger the physical or mental health of any individual, or (b) endanger the safety of any individual”. If providing the requested information did result in criminal behaviour it would negatively effects residents living in the surrounding area.</p> <p>It may be of interest to you to know, there are approximately 817 unoccupied residential properties owned by the London Borough of Newham and approximately 2,045 unoccupied, privately owned residential properties in the borough.</p>
Public	10584	06/09/2011	04/10/2011	Parking Fines	Subject: Contravention 27	Summary:

					<p>Please provide information on the location of and amount of tickets and tows/clamps for a contravention 27: parked adjacent to a pedestrian dropped footway.</p>	<p>For the 3 month period requested (6 June 2011 and 6 September 2011), the total number of code 27 issued was 1502, of which 257 were removals.</p> <p>Please see the attached spreadsheet for locations.</p>
Public	10669	15/09/2011	04/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Schools Management Information Systems</p> <p>1. Do you host the data for your schools management information systems (MIS) at the local authority?</p> <p>2. Do you host your schools MIS application software at the local authority?</p> <p>3. Have you contracted a third party specialist data centre to host the data for your schools MIS?</p> <p>4. Have you contracted a third party specialist data centre to host your schools MIS application software?</p> <p>5. If "yes" to any of the above, when did you start this service and how many of your schools by type (secondary, middle, primary, special, nursery and pupil referral unit) are currently buying into the service?</p> <p>6. If "yes" to any of the above, how many simultaneous users have you designed your service to handle or if using a third party, have they committed to handle?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. No 2. No 3. No 4. No 5. N/A 6. N/A 7. No</p>

					7. If “no” to any of the above, have you carried out a service review during the past two years for such services, and what was the conclusion of the report?	
Organisation	10591	07/09/2011	05/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Availability and use of s38(6) beds</p> <p>Further to our original request, we would be grateful if you could please:</p> <p>1.outline the system the Local Authority has in place for responding to a request made by the police to receive, and provide accommodation for, a child under s38(6) PACE 1984, particularly, but not limited to:</p> <p>a. which team(s)/group/organisation/individual is initially contacted by the police both in and out of office hours;</p> <p>b.which team(s)/group/organisation/individual is responsible for deciding what accommodation should be offered both in and out of office hours;</p> <p>c.whether any specific criteria exist to facilitate the decision in (b) above, and, if so, what those criteria are;</p> <p>d.who informs the police about the availability of accommodation both in and out of office hours; and</p> <p>e.which team(s)/group/organisation/individual is responsible for providing the bed once the decision to accommodate has been made both in and out of office hours;</p> <p>2. confirm that the Emergency Duty Team comes under the remit of the Local Authority; and</p> <p>3. confirm whether your responses to our questions one to four inclusive include the resources and statistics of the Emergency Duty Team. If your response excluded the</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>In relation to point (a), the custody officer will contact Newham's Children's Social Care, Duty and Assessment Service (SAT) during office hours or the Emergency Duty Team outside office hours.</p> <p>The specific criteria in relation to a decision to provide secure accommodation is detailed in Section 38(6) PACE and focuses typically on the issue of where it is "impracticable to...make arrangements for the arrested juvenile to be taken into the care of (the) local authority".</p> <p>Recognising the national shortage of secure beds and the fact there is currently no local secure provision, inevitably the conclusion of this discussion is that it is impracticable to do so, particularly recognising the period of custody prior to presentation to court is typically hours.</p> <p>If a decision is made to provide accommodation, during the day time this would require endorsement from a Head of Service. During out of office hours the endorsement would come from the senior</p>

					Emergency Duty Team in this regard please: a. provide us with responses that reflect those resources and statistics; and b. confirm which team(s)/group/organisation's resources and statistics were covered in your initial response.	manager who is the "Welfare on Call" (WOC).
Public	10738	23/09/2011	05/10/2011	Private Sector & Adaptations	<p>Subject: Empty Properties</p> <p>How many council properties are current empty within your borough?</p> <p>How many council properties have been empty for longer than three months?</p> <p>How many council properties have been empty for longer than six months?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>There are approximately 817 unoccupied residential properties owned by the London Borough of Newham. This figure is high as we have a regeneration program underway. Please see attached 'Business Plan Statistical Appendix' 2011; for information on the duration the properties have been empty. You may find Section E useful to your request which provides figures of vacant local authority dwellings, reasons why the properties are vacant and the length of time they have been vacant.</p> <p>There are also currently 1007 unoccupied commercial properties in the borough. Our systems do not allow us to differentiate between Council and privately owned unoccupied commercial properties.</p> <p>To obtain this breakdown of information would require an officer to manually look into records of all commercial properties in the borough to determine the ownership; this would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p>

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					<p>was a prosecution. If not, please provide the reasons why matters were not pursued and information on the ultimate outcome of each matter.</p> <p>4. Please also provide details of any disciplinary action taken against individuals concerned.</p> <p>5. The number of complaints or allegations you have received or been notified of in the past three financial years of physical abuse of a child or children while attending a madrassa or mosque.</p> <p>6. Please provide a breakdown of this number by year, i.e. expressed as separate figures as above.</p> <p>7. For each allegation, I would like to know whether it was investigated and if so how; whether the police became involved, whether there was a full criminal inquiry, whether there was a prosecution. If not, please provide the reasons why matters were not pursued and what was the ultimate outcome of each matter.</p> <p>8. Please also provide details of any disciplinary action taken against individuals concerned.</p> <p>9. Whether your council has been involved in safeguarding awareness work with mosques in your area and what form that has taken.</p> <p>10. The number of madrassas known to be teaching children in your council area.</p> <p>It may help you to provide the information in the format below:</p>	<table border="0"> <tr> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physical abuse</td> <td></td> <td>2009</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Not recorded on our</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>systems</td> <td>N/A</td> <td>1 (dismissal)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physical abuse</td> <td></td> <td>2010</td> <td>2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>0</td> <td>Not recorded on our</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>systems</td> <td>One of the two cases was</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>unsubstantiated and no further action</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>taken</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>One case resulted in</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>disciplinary action resulting in dismissal</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>and a referral to the Independent</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Safeguarding Authority</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Physical abuse</td> <td></td> <td>2011</td> <td>None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> <td>-</td> </tr> </table> <p>Q9: Child protection guidance was issued to the local mosques and madrassas in 2009 whereby four half-day safeguarding awareness training sessions were delivered in March 2010. Further safeguarding training is planned as part of the Newham Safeguarding Children Board program to be delivered by the end of this year.</p> <p>Q10: We are aware of approximately thirty madrassas in our council area that operate outside of school hours.</p>	-	-	-	-	Physical abuse		2009	1	1	Not recorded on our			systems	N/A	1 (dismissal)		Physical abuse		2010	2	0	Not recorded on our			systems	One of the two cases was				unsubstantiated and no further action				taken				One case resulted in				disciplinary action resulting in dismissal				and a referral to the Independent				Safeguarding Authority			Physical abuse		2011	None	-	-	-	-
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Media	10615	08/09/2011	06/10/2011	Property Valuation	<p>Subject: Applications to Register Common Land</p> <p>1. Details on each separate application for new registrations of “common land” (or “village greens”). In each of the following years: 2010-11, 2009-10, 2008-9, 2007-8 and 2006-7</p> <p>By “separate” I mean separate plots of land, rather than separate applications to register the same plot of land. By “new registration” I mean to include any extensions (i.e. enlargements) of existing registered common land.</p> <p>2.For each separate application, please indicate whether the registration application was: (a) granted without objections or appeal; (b) granted after appeal; (c) refused (if you system records the out come of applications differently, please call me to discuss an alternative way to fulfil this part of my request).</p> <p>3.For each separate application, please provide the name of the individual or organisation making</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Newham Council has received no applications for new registrations of “common land” from 2006 to 2011. 2. Not applicable. 3. Not Applicable. 4. Not Applicable. 5. Not Applicable.</p>

					<p>the application</p> <p>4. For each separate application, please provide details as to the ownership of the plot of land in question</p> <p>5. For each separate application, please provide the geographical information you hold on that plot. For example, this may include: information on plot size and shape, a description of it (e.g. "field used for agricultural grazing"), a postal address, geographic coordinates (e.g. Eastings and Northings, or Latitude and Longitude references), shape files (.shp) or other geographic/cartographic data relating to the location of the plot.</p> <p>Where possible, please provide the information in an excel spreadsheet or CSV format. If releasing separate files (for example .shp files in response to question 5) please give the file a name which allows it to be linked to the relevant application.</p>	
Media	10636	08/09/2011	06/10/2011	Local Service Centre	<p>Subject: Charges that apply for making a payment by credit card and by debit card</p> <p>I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. In order to assist you with this request, I am outlining my query as specifically as possible.</p> <p>I would like to know the following information as it applies in the financial year 2011-2012:</p> <p>1. Please tell me in which cases your council charges people to make payments by credit card or by debit card. These could include but are not limited to payment of</p> <p>a) council tax</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Newham Council does not charge for credit or debit card transactions.</p>

					<p>b) parking tickets c) dog fouling and street litter fines d) housing rent</p> <p>Where applicable, please state which card types incur a charge, and also please tell us how much these charges would be - either stated as a percentage or as a flat fee. Please state if these charges apply when paying in person, by telephone or online.</p> <p>2. Please tell us why you apply these charges, and how you decided on the amount of the charge to be applied to each relevant transaction.</p> <p>3. Please tell us the total amount of income received through the application of charges for paying by debit card or credit card in the financial year 2010-2011 (if these fees apply).</p> <p>4. Please tell us if all of the income received through the application of charges for paying by card in the financial year 2010-11 was used to cover the cost of processing payments, or if all or any of this income was applied elsewhere within the council.</p>	
Public	10611	08/09/2011	06/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Free schools is Newham</p> <p>1. Does the council support the idea of a Free School as described by the current government?</p> <p>2. Is there a shortage of pupil places in the borough?</p> <p>3. How many (if any) groups have forwarded proposals for a Free School to the government?</p> <p>4. How many (if any) groups, of which you have knowledge, are putting together a proposal for</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Requests for comments/ opinions are not regarded as valid requests for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The Council is only obliged to provide information that it holds. Newham Council does not have a policy regarding free schools as this is a Department for Education programme.</p> <p>2. Yes, there is a shortage of pupil places in the borough.</p>

					submission next year?	<p>3. This information is not held. There is no requirement on groups to notify the Council if they submit an application and the Department for Education does not routinely notify the Council of such applications.</p> <p>4. We are aware of 8 groups that are considering making submissions in the future.</p>
Public	10677	08/09/2011	06/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: Traffic Management Order for Upperton Road West</p> <p>1)The TMO/Traffic Management Order covering all waiting restrictions in Upperton Road West</p> <p>2)A copy of the TMO covering all parking bays in Upperton Road West, plus a copy of authorisation (e.g. from Area Committee) for the implementation of such restrictions.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Five experimental traffic orders cover the parking restrictions in Upperton Road West, which was included within Prince Regent Residential Parking Zone on 3 May 2011.</p> <p>They are:</p> <p>2011/53 - Disabled Resident Bays 2011/54 - Disabled Suspension order 2011/56 - Permit Parking Places order 2011/57 - Shared Use Parking Places order 2011/58 - Waiting and Loading order</p> <p>Please find copies attached.</p> <p>Delegated authority was given to make these legal orders and a copy of the relevant statutory notice is attached.</p>

Public	10620	09/09/2011	06/10/2011	Housing Partnerships	<p>Subject: Empty properties</p> <p>Please supply information about how many buildings in your borough are currently unoccupied and have been unoccupied t for six months or more, 12 months or more, 24 months or more and 60 months or more.</p> <p>Please supply the information for points 1 & 2 in the spreadsheet attached.</p> <p>1. A) How many unoccupied residential buildings are there which are owned by the council? B) How many unoccupied commercial buildings are there which are owned by the council?</p> <p>2. A) How many unoccupied residential buildings are there in the borough which are privately owned? B) How many unoccupied commercial buildings are there in the borough which are privately owned?</p> <p>If the answers to 2A or 2B are not centrally stored or easily retrievable I ask that you do not respond to these questions.</p> <p>3. How many council house ‘voids’ are there currently in your borough? How long they have been void for (to the nearest 6 months) and what is the reason for which they are void. Please supply any relevant documentation to these questions held by the council. If you hold directly relevant information in pre-existing documents you may answer the question by referencing a</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1a) There are approximately 817 unoccupied residential properties owned by the London Borough of Newham. This figure is high as we have a regeneration program underway. Please see attached ‘Business Plan Statistical Appendix’ 2011; for information on the duration the properties have been empty.</p> <p>b) There are currently 1007 unoccupied commercial properties in the borough. Our systems do not allow us to differentiate between Council and privately owned unoccupied commercial properties. To obtain this breakdown of information would require an officer to manually look into records of all commercial properties in the borough to determine the ownership; this would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and have decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance</p>
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					page number of an attached document.	<p>exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p> <p>2a) There are approximately 2,045 unoccupied privately owned residential properties in the borough.</p> <p>b) Please see answer to 1b) we are unable to differentiate between Council and privately owned unoccupied commercial properties.</p> <p>3. Please see attached the 'Business Plan Statistical Appendix' 2011; Section E, which provides figures of vacant local authority dwellings, reasons why the properties are vacant and the length of time they have been vacant.</p>
Public	10614	09/09/2011	07/10/2011	Public Lighting	<p>Subject: Cost of lighting for the Council</p> <p>1.How much was spent on lighting in your area by your council (in both cost and Kwh) in 2010-2011</p> <p>2.The cost that you pay per Kwh</p> <p>3.Any contractors you use to maintain: a. Office lighting b.Public spaces i.e. car parks, parks etc. c.Council owned property</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. None of our buildings has a segregated lighting metre which records this information; therefore we do not hold this information.</p> <p>2. The London Borough of Newham purchases its energy through LASER Energy Buying Group which is part of Kent County Council's Commercial Services Division. The organisation</p>

					<p>4. The type of lighting you use for the above.</p>	<p>represents in excess of 100 Local Authorities and other publicly funded bodies throughout the South of England.</p> <p>The price per unit that the London Borough of Newham pays for electricity (P/kWh) is:</p> <p>Public lighting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) certified metered supply - 7.392 p/kWh b) non certified - 7.844 p/kWh <p>Over 100kW Half Hourly Sites (HH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Day rates - 7.940 p/kWh b) Night rates - 5.301 p/kWh <p>Non Half Hourly Sites (NHH)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Day rates - 8.603 P/kWh b) Night rates - 5.631 p/kWh <p>Please note all prices are based on average unit price. The London Borough of Newham has a site specific unit price policy agreement with LASER.</p> <p>3. All contractors used by the London Borough of Newham are drawn from the Council's approved list of Contractors as administered by the Corporate Procurement section. Further information</p>
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					<p>is available on our website: http://necr.newham.gov.uk/suppliersefsevice/</p> <p>Specifically to parks: Ringway Jacobs, Serco and Keir are the main contractors.</p> <p>4. We do not centrally hold the types of lighting installed in our Council buildings, parks or car parks. Throughout our building stock we have variable lighting ranging from tungsten through to various types of linear fluorescent to compact low energy types used in our older buildings, recently some LED lighting and where appropriate high intensity discharge types</p> <p>For new and refurbished buildings we always endeavour to install the most efficient form of lighting and, where appropriate and economic, some form of automatic lighting control.</p> <p>For parks where there is public lighting, it is generally high pressure sodium (SON). The footpath at the Memorial Recreation Ground in E15 uses CDM lamps.</p> <p>Some Leisure open spaces have standard highways type lighting.</p> <p>The parks multi use games areas have variable lighting such as the ones mentioned above.</p>
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Public	10336	04/08/2011	10/10/2011	Procurement Team	<p>Subject: Contract and invoices for Westco Trading Ltd</p> <p>I would like to make the following request under the Freedom of information Act 2000.</p> <p>1) A copy of the contract with Westco Trading Ltd 2) A copy of all invoices from Westco trading Ltd</p>	<p>Stage 2:</p> <p>Question 1</p> <p>We have redacted the names of staff in keeping with the law and guidance from the Information Commissioner's Officer (ICO). Personal details, including names, of individuals are protected under the Data Protection Act 1998. As such disclosure of the names of staff of the local authority and private companies would contravene the first data protection principle, which requires that personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully by the London Borough of Newham. We consider that the individuals in question would not expect their details to be made available in the public domain without their consent. In fact, individuals have expressly refused to give consent to disclosure of their personal details.</p> <p>Guidance from the ICO states: "In some cases it may be possible to redact information identifying a specific employee without reducing the value of the information released... consider any differences in the degree of access to information that should be given about senior / junior staff, or ones in particular roles." As such, we have reviewed the level of redaction and concluded that the names of senior officers should be</p>
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					<p>released. However, we maintain the exemption regarding more junior staff. Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides an absolute exemption where disclosure of personal data about individuals would contravene any of the data protection principles set out in the Data Protection Act. Therefore there is no requirement to consider the public interest test in disclosure.</p> <p>Question 2 Please see attached a signed copy of the contract. We apologise that this was not provided in the first instance.</p> <p>Question 3 The reasons for exempting the invoices were set out in our letter to you dated 15th September. Having reviewed this aspect of your request, we concluded that the exemption should stand. We are aware that section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act requires us to weigh up the public interest in disclosure against the public interest in withholding the information. As such, we consider that the public interest is served in this case, given that we have provided you with the total expenditure under the said contract, which is a sum of individual invoices. In conducting this balancing exercise, we also consider that there is a greater public interest in protecting the confidentiality of commercial transactions, otherwise public trust in the local authority to hold information in confidence could be</p>
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					<p>undermined, and this would not be in the public interest.</p> <p>Stage 1:</p> <p>1. A copy of the contract with Westco Trading Ltd (please see attached document as requested).</p> <p>2. With regard to invoices from Westco Trading Ltd, we do not provide copy of invoices, as they contain commercially sensitive information and therefore exempted.</p> <p>Under Section 43, information is exempt from disclosure if releasing it would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). We consider that an invoice is commercially sensitive information. The London Borough of Newham will not disclose information that would prejudice the commercial interests of any company. As such, we cannot provide any invoices as requested. Section 43 is a qualified exemption; therefore, we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. Whilst we accept that the public interest is likely to be served by promoting accountability and transparency by public authorities; however, we consider that there is a greater public interest in maintaining the confidentiality of commercially sensitive</p>
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						<p>information.</p> <p>However, by way of offering you some assistance, the total spent in regards to the attached contract was £215,825.27</p> <p>I hope this clarifies any outstanding issues.</p> <p>Summary:</p> <p>1) Newham's standing orders state that all contracts over £10,000 must be tendered via NECTR (our e-sourcing system). There are no current contracts or current tenders for Westco Trading Ltd.</p> <p>2) There are no recent invoices and no spend with Westco Trading Ltd for the financial year 2010-2011.</p>
Public	10623	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Corporate Complaints and Ombudsman	<p>Subject: Corporate Complaints</p> <p>1. The number of complaints made to the local authority in 2010/11 resulting in reference to your complaints or (equivalent) department?</p> <p>2. How many complaints were made which did not get referred to the complaints or equivalent department?</p> <p>3. How many stages do you have in your complaints procedure?</p> <p>4. How many complaints do you know to have been dealt with fully to the complainants satisfaction, i.e. were not simply abandoned/ not pursued/rejected/withdrawn?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. As contained in the Local Government Ombudsman's report, the total number of complaints dealt with by the authority at the various stages in 2010/11 were:</p> <p>Stage 1 - 2583 Stage 2 - 338 Stage 3 - 97</p> <p>Ombudsman:183 (71 of which the Ombudsman referred back to the Council as premature investigations - These would have then be dealt with through</p>

					<p>If you do not have figures for 2010/11 can you provide figures for any other period?</p>	<p>the Council's complaints process and are included in the numbers for the various stages. 23 were outside the Ombudsman's jurisdiction).</p> <p>The majority of the Stage 2 and 3 complaints would have originally been dealt with at Stage 1 and therefore these figures include the same complaint going through the various stages.</p> <p>2. All complaints that are submitted as a complaint are dealt with under the Council's Complaint Procedures. However, the Council does try to deal with issues before they become formal complaints.</p> <p>3. There are 3 stages in our complaints procedure.</p> <p>4. All outcomes are sent to the complainant. If the complainant is not satisfied with the outcome they have a further right of complaint at Stage 2, then Stage 3 and then ultimately the Ombudsman. If you mean satisfaction in how many complaints were upheld, the number of complaints upheld at the various stages were:</p> <p>Stage 1 - 796 Stage 2 - 154 Stage 3 - 30</p> <p>For referrals to the Ombudsman in</p>
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Public	10625	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Corporate Complaints and Ombudsman	<p>Subject: Complaints Department</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many staff do you have in your complaints department? 2. What is the total cost of running your complaints department and can you state what part of this is a) for staff and b) for other costs including overheads, premises and support costs. 3. What is the total known cost to the authority of dealing with complaints of all kinds (formal or informal). <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Does this include the cost (including overheads etc) of all staff time involved, including the time of those complained of and their colleagues, in dealing with the issue from the moment the issue giving rise to the complaint first arises? b) If not, do you have any record, or, if not, please give guidance or an estimate of the total amount of such time and the total cost to the authority of 	<p>Summary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Corporate Complaints and Member Enquiries Team deal with the majority of complaints received by the Council. However, in some areas, Stage 1 and 2 complaints are dealt with in the relevant service area. The Corporate Complaints and Member Enquiries Team consist of 27 full time equivalents, but they also deal with Member Enquiries, including MPs, and information requests, including all requests under the Freedom of Information and Data Protection Acts. 2. The forecasted budget for the Corporate Complaints and Member Enquiries Team for 2011/12 is £669,000. 																						

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Public	10626	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Planning Policy and UDP	<p>Subject: Biodiversity and Habitat Offsetting Schemes</p> <p>I am trying to collect a full list of biodiversity and habitat offsetting schemes across England. Offsetting is where the impacts of a development are compensated for by creating a habitat on a separate site (as opposed to mitigation which</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council has not been involved in any planning applications that have included biodiversity and habitat offsetting schemes.</p> <p>With regard to question 7, the Council</p>

				<p>takes place on site). The questions are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Can you provide details of any planning permissions granted by your Local Planning Authority which mandated any habitat or biodiversity offsetting schemes under Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c) Regs 1994 (Commonly known as 'Habitats Regulations' under the EU Habitats Directive)? 2. Have you undertaken any other offsetting scheme under other planning legislation (such as Section 106 planning agreements)? Are you aware of any voluntary or other offsetting agreements that have taken place by developers? 3. Can you send all the relevant documentation relating to any offsetting schemes (preferably as PDFs)? This could include, but should not necessarily be limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -- Environmental Impact Statements -- Any Section 106 documentation relating to the offsetting schemes -- Details of long-term management plans -- Evidence of current condition of offset sites -- Evidence of effect on transported species 4. How much did each individual offsetting scheme cost? 5. Can you provide any evidence of any monitoring and follow-up assessing the ongoing quality of the offset scheme. 6. Has your local authority instigated any enforcement action if the offsetting was 	<p>does not have an in-house ecology officer; if any such advice is needed, generally the applicant would be required to provide it</p>
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					<p>unsuccessful? What was the outcome of the enforcement for each offsetting scheme?</p> <p>7. Does your Local Authority employ an in-house ecologist? If not, how do you get advice on ecological matters in planning?</p>																					
Public	10627	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Corporate Complaints and Ombudsman	<p>Subject: Corporate Complaints</p> <p>1.How many referrals were made in relation to the council to the Local Government Ombudsman in 2010/11</p> <p>2.What were the results of the referrals, e.g., how many were a) withdrawn; b) not upheld; c) partially upheld; d) upheld</p> <p>3.How many complaints were made in 2010/11 to councillors, MPs or others, requiring or resulting in responses from the council or time being spent on the complaint by the council</p> <p>4.What time was spent by all staff in dealing with such referrals and complaints, a) including, and b) excluding, any time spent by your complaints department in handling the complaint through your complaints procedure. If you do not have figures can you provide any estimate of the time spent</p> <p>5.If you do not have figures for 2010/11 can you provide them for the nearest period</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1 and 2)</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Outcomes</th> <th>Number</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>MI Reports</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Local Settlement</td> <td>48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mal – administration reports</td> <td>1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No Mal – administration</td> <td>0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>No Mal – administration reports Ombudsman’s discretion</td> <td>27</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Outside jurisdiction</td> <td>23</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Premature</td> <td>71</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total excluding premature</td> <td>112</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL:</td> <td>183</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>3) As contained in the Local Government Ombudsman's report, the total number of complaints dealt with by the authority at the various stages in 2010/11 were:</p> <p>Stage 1: 2583 Stage 2: 338 Stage 3: 97 Ombudsman: 183 (71 of which the Ombudsman referred back to the Council as premature investigations - These would have then be dealt with through the Council's complaints process and are included in the numbers for the</p>	Outcomes	Number	MI Reports	0	Local Settlement	48	Mal – administration reports	1	No Mal – administration	0	No Mal – administration reports Ombudsman’s discretion	27	Outside jurisdiction	23	Premature	71	Total excluding premature	112	TOTAL:	183
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Public	10633	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Mother & baby units</p> <p>1.Number of providers for mother & baby units & family assessment units</p> <p>2. Number of mothers referred to mother & baby units in past 3 years</p> <p>3. Average length of stay in mother & baby unit for past 3 years</p> <p>4. Number of families referred to residential</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Unfortunately, due to technical issues with the database, at the time, information regarding placements in the Mother and Baby Unit was not fully captured. As a result, we are not in a position to produce a report with any certainty on specific placements in either mother / baby or family assessment placements.</p>

					<p>family assessment centres in past 3 years.</p> <p>5. Average length of stay in residential family assessment centres.</p> <p>6. Total cost for past 3 years on; Mother & baby unit Residential family / parenting assessment centres.</p>	
Media	10618	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Payments	<p>Subject: Consultants</p> <p>1)The number of consultants working for the borough, either through Personal Service Companies (PSCs) or in a self-employed capacity, and how long they have worked at the council.</p> <p>2) The amount of money the borough has spent on consultants, either through Personal Service Companies (PSCs) or in a self-employed capacity, in the last 12 months.</p> <p>3)If FoI requests of a similar nature have been submitted, please can you send your responses to those requests?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1) There are currently 30 consultants working for the London Borough of Newham, 10 of which are externally funded.</p> <p>2) Newham Council spent £7,213,233.50 on consultancy services in the financial year 2010/11. The services were for a wide range of specialisms ranging from delivering large capital programmes and projects to interventions to help deliver savings. The Council is forecasting a much reduced spend during 2011/12. Current forecast is for at least a 50%-60% reduction.</p> <p>3)Please see below link to the Council's disclosure log which list all Freedom of Information requests and responses:</p> <p>http://www.newham.gov.uk/yourcouncil/freedomofinformation/freedomofinformationrequestsandresponses.htm</p>

Media	10622	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Insurance, Treasury Management; Superannuation Fun	<p>Subject: Compensation to LBN staff</p> <p>1. Please tell me how much compensation money has been paid to your staff as a result of accidents at work in the past five financial years (1 April 2006 - 31 March 2011)</p> <p>2. Please also break this down per accident, giving details of a) the accident b) injuries sustained c) compensation paid out d) the year</p> <p>So, for example, your response could be:</p> <p>Total amount of compensation money: £600,000</p> <p>Two accidents: a) £200,000 was awarded to a member of staff in 2008 after he tripped over a cracked paving slab in the staff car park and broke two legs. b) £400,000 was awarded to a member of staff in 2009 after she fell off a broken chair and suffered head injuries</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.The total amount of compensation paid was: £600,010.66. Please see the attached spreadsheet for a breakdown of payments during the period requested. Please note this includes claims made by school staff. During the period requested Newham Council has employed, on average between 12,000 -13,000 members of staff per year.</p>
Media	10629	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Human Resources	<p>Subject: Staff hospitality from the Church of Scientology</p> <p>1.Could you please provide me with the number of times any members/staff/representatives/officials of the council have accepted hospitality from the organisations promoting or related to the Church of Scientology</p> <p>2.In each case, please give details as to the nature of the hospitality along with the date that it took place.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Our electronic records date back to 2008 and not 2005. Prior to 2008 paper copies were held departmentally and not centrally by HR. To obtain the information relating to 2005-2008, an Officer would have to search individual files held by managers in each department which would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p>

					<p>3. Please also include hospitality that took place at any of The Church of Scientology's bases in the UK, either in a private capacity, as individuals or on business.</p> <p>In all cases, please provide information from January 1st 2005 to the present day (03.03.11).</p> <p>By organisations promoting Scientology, I mean organisations which promote, recruit members for, or raise money for, Church of Scientology Religious Education College Incorporated. To the best of my knowledge a list of such organisations would include:</p> <p>Jive Aces Church of Scientology Greenfields School Greenfields Educational Trust Hubbard Foundation ABLE Applied Scholastics International Narconon Criminon The Way to Happiness Foundation International Church of Scientology Religious Education College Inc Office of Special Affairs (OSA) Sea Org Youth for Human Rights International Citizens Commission on Human Rights (United Kingdom) Ltd</p>	<p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and has decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p> <p>Based on records from 2008 we are able to provide the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. None. 2. Not applicable. 3. None.
Organisation	10634	12/09/2011	10/10/2011	Human Resources	Subject: Corporate schematic diagram showing 3rd and 4th tier offices	Summary: Please find attached an organisation chart

					May I be sent a copy of the current corporate schematic diagram showing 3rd and 4th tier offices? Failing this may I be sent a copy of the current list of 3rd and 4th offices organised by Human Resources if it is available to public inspection?	showing levels 1 to 4 of the organisation, where: Level 1 = Chief Executive Level 2 = Executive Director Level 3 = Divisional Director Level 4 = those staff reporting to level 3
Public	10637	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	Subject: Free School Meals 1) Do you provide any forms or help for those claiming free school meals whose first language is not English. If so, when was this first implemented? 2) A list of primary and secondary schools who have adopted cashless catering systems, and the year they were introduced? 3) The total number of free school meal rejected applications for 2005 to 2011. 4) The number of free school meal rejected applications for 2005 to 2011 by ethnicity, age and school type (primary or secondary). 5) The number of free school meal rejected applications for 2005 to 2011 by school.	Summary: Document attached.
Organisation	10642	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	Public Health, Safety & Licensing	Subject: Street licensing and enforcement legislation 1) May I be sent the contact details of the office delegated with responsibility for the promotion, administration, and enforcement of the licensing of street trading? 2) May I also be sent a copy, if in existence, of the 'designating resolution' as specified in Section	Summary: The London Borough of Newham has a dedicated team within Property Services. The Street Markets Office is based at number 7 Queens Market, Green Street, London E13 9BA and is responsible for the licensing, administration and enforcement of dedicated street markets and temporary street trading licences. At

					28(1)(a) of the London Local Authorities Act 1990, specifically the part listing streets or any part of a street in the Borough designated as a 'licence street' and the resolution specifying 'any class or classes of articles, things or services which they will, or other than which they will not, prescribe in any street trading licence granted by them in respect of that Street' as set out in 28(1)(b) of the same Act of Parliament?	<p>present, the enforcement of unlawful street trading lies with Community Safety Services who are based at Newham Dockside, 1000 Dockside Road, London E16 2QU.</p> <p>Please find enclosed the attached resolution from a Council meeting held on the 17th March 1992 designating street markets.</p>
Business	10671	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	Communications/Press office/publicity	<p>Subject: Street furniture/ bus shelter agreements between JC Decaux and the London Borough of Newham</p> <p>Please kindly communicate to us your response to the following below in relation to the contract mentioned above.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please confirm the forms quantity street furniture 2. Please confirm the starting date of the current agreement 3. Please confirm the expiry date of the current agreement 4. Please confirm whether the current agreement has provision to be extended past its initial term; if so, please provide details; 5. Please confirm whether the current agreement has already been extended past its initial term, if so please provide details 6. Please confirm whether the Agreement includes an "exclusivity clause" which prevents any other advertising of a similar nature on the highway within your borough; if so please, provide details. 	<p>Summary:</p> <p>This request relates to free standing unit (also known as council information panel) and automated public toilet agreement between JC Decaux and the London Borough of Newham.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2 x APC Columns, 3 x Pillar USLs, 40 x internally illuminated Council Information Panels, 5 x internally illuminated columns (one of which incorporates a newspaper kiosk). 2. 25th March 1998. 3. 15 years from when 90% of the Equipment is installed and connected. 4. There is provision within the current Agreement to extend the contract for 5 years should the Council choose to do so by failing to give at least 2 years notice to end on a date as determined by answer 3 above.

						<p>5. No there has not been any extension to the current Agreement. The Council have given the contractor notice that it is not renewing the current contract.</p> <p>6. The Council has granted JC Decaux the exclusive right to install 'advertising equipment' and to display commercial advertising thereon on the public highway (excluding walls). Any additional panels installed in relation to an existing agreement cannot be within 20 metres of a JCD panel. This only applies to land along the highway and does not apply to private land to the rear or side.</p>
Business	10648	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	Mental Health Support	<p>Subject: Direct payments</p> <p>The information we require is around learning disability services (for people aged 18-64) and mental health services (for people aged 18-64).</p> <p>Please provide information on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many people with learning disabilities received direct payments in the last financial year? (i.e. 1st April 2010 – 31st March 2011). 2. What is the total spend on direct payments for people with learning disabilities by the local authority in the last financial year? (i.e. 1st April 2010 – 31st March 2011). 3. What is the average number of support hours allocated to people with learning disabilities that are in receipt of direct payments? (i.e. 1st April 	<p>Summary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. As at 31/03/11 there were 191 individuals with learning disabilities receiving direct payments. 2. The total spend in 2010/11 on Direct Payments for people with learning disabilities was £4,906,000 (this figure includes Self Directed Support payments (SDS)). 3. We do not measure Direct or Self Directed Support payments by support hours. People with Direct Payments, or who receive their SDS Payments through a paid rather than managed account, are encouraged to use their support in an

					<p>2010 – 31st March 2011).</p> <p>4.How many people with mental health problems received direct payments in the last financial year? (i.e. 1st April 2010 – 31st March 2011).</p> <p>5.What is the total spend on direct payments for people with mental health problems by the local authority in the last financial year? (i.e. 1st April 2010 – 31st March 2011).</p> <p>6.What is the average number of support hours allocated to people with mental health problems that are in receipt of Direct Payments? (i.e. 1st April 2010 – 31st March 2011).</p>	<p>enabling and innovative way and this does not necessarily equate to specific hours of home care or other traditional service.</p> <p>4. As at 31/03/11 there 15 individuals with Mental Health problems receiving Direct Payments.</p> <p>5. The total spend in 2010/11 on Direct Payments for people with Mental Health problems was £94,000 (this figure includes Self Directed Support payments (SDS)).</p> <p>6. Please see answer to question 3.</p>
Media	10645	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	Pensions	<p>Subject: Council's Pension Fund</p> <p>1) What is the size of your council pension fund in pounds sterling (£)?</p> <p>2)How much of the pension fund, in money (£) and percentage (%) terms, is currently directly invested in hedge funds or hedge fund-like strategies (these can include, but are not limited to, equity long/short, event driven, global macro, directional, CTA, relative value, convertible arbitrage, fixed-income arbitrage, risk arbitrage, multi-strategy and distressed securities funds)?</p> <p>3) How much of the pension fund, in money (£) and percentage (%) terms, is currently directly invested in funds of hedge funds?</p> <p>4) Do you have an allocation target (as a</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1) As at 30/6/11 the value of Newham Council's pension fund was £746 million (3.1%).</p> <p>2) 0% (see below for Fund of Hedge Fund Allocations).</p> <p>3) Currently, £23.3 million (3.1%) is directly invested in funds of hedge funds.</p> <p>4) We hold a 10% allocation to diversified alternatives, with discretion to the manager to invest up to 30% of this allocation in Hedge Funds.</p>

					percentage of your portfolio) to hedge funds/funds of hedge funds and what is it?	
Media	10646	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	Highway Maintenance	<p>Subject: Drain cover theft</p> <p>1) How many drain/man hole covers have been stolen in the past year?</p> <p>2) How many accidents in the borough bike, car or pedestrian were due to missing covers in the past?</p> <p>3) How much it has cost you to replace them over the past year.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. In the past year 167 have been stolen. To prevent further losses, Newham Council is replacing damaged or stolen cast iron gully covers with ductile iron covers with captive hinges. These cannot be removed easily and are worth less to scrap metal dealers.</p> <p>2. There have been no reported accidents due to missing drain covers.</p> <p>3. The total cost is £58,800. Metal theft is a national problem. Newham Council's enforcement officers continue to work closely with the local police to bring those responsible to justice. Joint enforcement and prevention work includes visits to scrap metal dealers and roadside checks of vehicles carrying scrap metals and waste. Council Trading Standard Officers regularly visit scrap metal dealers to ensure compliance with relevant legislation.</p>
Public	10640	13/09/2011	11/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Children in Need</p> <p>1) How many complaints against Social Services (2005-11) regarding children categorised as abused/neglected have been taken to Stage 2? Abuse/neglect would cover mental, physical and</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. The Council handled two complaints during the period, under stage two of the statutory social care complaints procedures, regarding children you were</p>

					<p>sexual abuse and all forms of neglect i.e. lack of emotional support through to malnourishment.</p> <p>2)How much, on average, does a complaint up to and including Stage 2 cost Newham?</p> <p>3)What would it cost Newham to provide a qualified children's social worker capable of giving quality care and advice to the Child Protection Team?</p>	<p>made subject of a Child Protection Plan.</p> <p>2.The average cost of a stage 2 investigation is about £3000.00 (some cost slightly more or less, depending on the complexity of the case). This includes the fee that is paid to the investigating officer and independent person. It does not take into account staff time (complaints and operational) in administering the process for stage 1 and 2.</p> <p>3. It would cost Newham Council approximately £48,800 (including on-costs) to provide a qualified social worker to the Child Protection Team.</p>
Public	10638	13/09/2011	12/10/2011	Regeneration and Physical Development	<p>Subject: Obsidian</p> <p>Any information, correspondence, and minutes of meetings having to do with the developer Obsidian or Savills (representing Obsidian) and the Council about Forest Gate regeneration between the dates January 2007 and the present, particularly the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Height of buildings •Removal/ replacement of Victorian buildings •Removal/ replacement of buildings in conservation areas •Acquisition of property 	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see relevant information on the Council's website, regarding 'acquisition of property' (136 Earlham Grove), in the November 2010 Cabinet report. Please see link below (item 6):</p> <p>http://mgov.newham.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CIId=294&MIId=7400&Ver=4</p> <p>Information regarding 'height, removal or replacement' of buildings as part of the regeneration of Forest Gate, is considered part of the pre-application planning negotiations on a scheme, that will be subject to planning and therefore</p>

						<p>public consultation, later this year. Details would consequently be deemed commercially sensitive and as such would not be released as the London Borough of Newham will not disclose information that would prejudice the commercial interests any company.</p> <p>Section 43(2) Commercial interests: Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to; prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). Section 43 is a qualified exemption therefore we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. Whilst we accept that the public interest is likely to be served by promoting accountability and transparency by public authorities, we consider that, in this case, there is a greater public interest in non-disclosure.</p>
Media	10673	14/09/2011	12/10/2011	Housing Regeneration Projects	<p>Subject: Squatters in Council owned properties</p> <p>1. Does the council hold documentation which relates to the issue of squatters and squatting within its geographical area?</p> <p>2. If the answer to the above question is yes could the council please state how many properties in its area are currently providing homes to squatters?</p> <p>3. Could the council please provide a basic description of each of the properties which are</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Q1. We only hold information on Council-owned properties. You may wish to contact each Housing Association and other private-rented agencies within the borough for their information separately.</p> <p>Q2. There are 4 Council-owned properties that are currently deemed as 'squatted'.</p>

					<p>being used by squatters. Can you state which are commercial and which are residential properties. In the case of each property can you state which are flats and which are houses. Can you please state how many overall rooms and how many bedrooms each property has.</p> <p>4. In the case of each address can the council please provide the first three characters of the post code. In the case of each property can the council state how many squatters are currently living in it and for how long it has been a home to squatters.</p> <p>5. In the case of each property can the council please state for how long it was empty before squatters moved in.</p> <p>6. In the case of each property can the council please state if the actual owners of the house are trying to get squatters out of the property.</p> <p>7. Can the council please provide copies of any correspondence with the owners of the property which relates to its use by squatters. Please do feel free to remove the names of individual members of the public who own the properties. But please do not remove the names of organisations who own and or manage the property.</p>	<p>Property 1: Q3. Residential, 3 bedroom house. Q4. E16, unknown as to how many squatters are in the property, since June 2011. Q5. 5 months. Q6 and Q7. Legal action is being pursued by the Council to possess the property. As advised above, you will need to contact each Housing Association and other private-rented agencies within the borough for their information separately.</p> <p>Property 2: Q3. Residential, 2 bedroom house. Q4. E9 9, unknown as to how many squatters are in the property, less than 2 months. Q5. 2 months. Q6 and Q7. Legal action has been taken by the Council, possession has been granted following the Hearing. Awaiting a bailiff's warrant from Bow County Court to carry out the eviction. As advised above, you will need to contact each Housing Association and other private-rented agencies within the borough for their information separately.</p> <p>Property 3: Q3. Residential, 3 bedroom house. Q4. E7 8, unknown as to how many squatters are in the property, unknown as to how long property has been squatted as this was leased to a third party</p>
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						<p>organisation. Q5. Unknown as the property was leased to a third party organisation. Q6 and Q7. Legal action is being pursued by the Council to possess the property. As advised above, you will need to contact each Housing Association and other private-rented agencies within the borough for their information separately.</p> <p>Property 4: Q3. Residential, 3 bedroom house Q4. E6 3, unknown as to how many squatters are in the property, unknown as to how long property has been squatted as this was leased to a third party organisation Q5. Unknown as the property was leased to a third party organisation Q6 and Q7. Legal action is being pursued by the Council to possess the property. As advised above, you will need to contact each Housing Association and other private-rented agencies within the borough for their information separately.</p>
Media	10672	14/09/2011	12/10/2011	Corporate Strategies and Plans	<p>Subject: National Planning Policy Framework</p> <p>1. Does the council hold documentation which examines the likely implications of the Government's new draft National Planning Policy Framework which has been devised by the Government and which is currently out to consultation.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.The Council was invited to assess the implications for the Core Strategy of the draft NPPF by the Planning Inspectorate as part of our Examination in Public. This can be found at http://www.newham.gov.uk/NR/rdonlyre</p>

					<p>2. Has the council calculated how many extra residential properties will be built within its area as a result of the policy. Can you please provide these figures?</p> <p>3. Has the council calculated how much land which currently does not have build on it will be given over to new build as a result of this. Can you please provide these details?</p> <p>4. Has the council calculated how much green space in its area could be lost as a result of the policy. Can you please provide these details?</p> <p>5. Has the council received any advice from the Department of Communities and Local Government's on the implications of the Government's new draft National Planning Policy Framework on live and current applications within its area. Can you please provide copies of this guidance.</p> <p>6. Has the council produced a report or study looking at the implications of the NPPF. If so can it please provide copies.</p> <p>7. Has the council issued written advice to officers and or members about the implications of the NPPF for its area. If so could you please provide copies.</p>	<p>s/552670F9-EE8C-4F15-82E7-03A28CA316BB/0/CoreStrategyExaminationStatementonConformitywithDraftNationalPlanningPolicyFramework.pdf</p> <p>The Council will also be responding in due course to the Government's consultation, as per the report that went to the Strategic Development Committee on 20th September available here http://mgov.newham.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=45736</p> <p>2. No. The document is in drafting stage. The Council could not undertake such calculations until the document is finalised.</p> <p>3.No.Please see the above response.</p> <p>4.No. As the document is in the draft stage we have no basis on which to undertake such calculations, given large amounts of Brownfield development land, and protection of green space.</p> <p>5.No.</p> <p>6.Not beyond the EIP statement referred to above.</p> <p>7.A report informing members of the NPPF consultation and the EIP statement went to Strategic Development Committee on 20th September. The report can be found here</p>
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						http://mgov.newham.gov.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=45736
Public	9606	11/05/2011	13/10/2011	Customer Services	<p>Subject: Correspondence regarding removal of foreign language newspapers</p> <p>According to BBC reports, you have decided to remove foreign-language newspapers from your libraries in order to encourage people to read English newspapers instead.</p> <p>I would like to request access to all documents related to this decision, such as internal e-mails, notes and correspondence, as well as minutes or summaries of meetings where this may have been discussed, as well as any letters, memoranda or notes in which this decision was announced.</p> <p>If you have received or written external correspondence in this matter, please include this as well.</p>	<p>Stage 1:</p> <p>Our review concluded that further information should be supplied (please see attached). However, we maintain that staff details and information of a personal nature (such as staffing issues) should be exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act, as disclosure would contravene the Data Protection Act 1998.</p> <p>Furthermore, this is consistent with guidance from the Information Commissioner, which states: "In some cases it may be possible to redact information identifying a specific employee without reducing the value of the information released... consider any differences in the degree of access to information that should be given about senior / junior staff, or ones in particular roles."</p> <p>Summary:</p> <p>Please find attached correspondence as requested.</p> <p>We have removed some information under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as personal details, including names of individuals</p>

						<p>are protected under the Data Protection Act 1998. Disclosure would therefore contravene the first data protection principle, which requires that personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully by the London Borough of Newham. We do not believe that private individual's or local authority staff would expect their details to be made available in the public domain without their consent</p> <p>Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides an absolute exemption where disclosure of personal data about individuals would contravene any of the data protection principles set out in the Data Protection Act. Therefore there is no requirement to consider the public interest test in disclosure.</p>															
Media	10666	15/09/2011	13/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Section 547 Education Act 1996</p> <p>I would like to submit an FOI request about the council's use of 'school banning orders' under .</p> <p>My questions are as follows:</p> <p>1) How many Section 547's have you issued from 2005 to 2010? I would like a breakdown by calendar year.</p> <p>2) Who were the issued against? I would like an answer specific to each individual Section 547 issued. By 'who' I mean parent/ex-pupil/general</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. A total of 137 Section 547s have been issued. Please see table below for breakdown per year as requested.</p> <p>2. Please see table below for breakdown for who this was issues against as requested.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th colspan="4">Issued against</th> </tr> <tr> <th></th> <th>TOTAL</th> <th>EX-Pupil</th> <th>Parent</th> <th>Public</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2005</td> <td>40</td> <td>0</td> <td>40</td> <td>0</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Issued against					TOTAL	EX-Pupil	Parent	Public	2005	40	0	40	0
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Public	10653	15/09/2011	13/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Young people leaving care</p> <p>Please send me the following information in relation to young people leaving local authority care in your area:</p> <p>1)What is the maximum leaving care grant that you provide to care leavers?</p> <p>2)What was the average leaving care grant given to care leavers in the financial year 2010/11?</p> <p>3)What was the average leaving care grant given to care leavers in the financial year 2009/10?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Newham Council provides a £1,300 grant to all eligible care leavers (this is a fixed amount).</p> <p>2.£1,300.</p> <p>3.£1,300.</p>																														
Organisation	10670	15/09/2011	13/10/2011	Head of Safeguarding Intervention	<p>Subject: Policy on Service User Recording of Meetings with the Local Authority</p> <p>A)What is the Local Authorities Policy & Practice on recording of meetings with the LA by service users especially in social services matters under the children act 1989 (IE Recordings by parents or children or those that might act for or assist them) i.e. in any form of recording including where there are legal proceedings as follows:</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council does not have any specific policies regarding recording of meetings with service users.</p> <p>However in relation to practice, covert recording of staff is not considered acceptable and may be unlawful.</p> <p>Generally in terms of practice; Social Care staff will not agree to interviews or</p>																														

				<p>A. What is the official policy and actual practice regarding parents who wish to or who do audio or video or photographic record meetings either with or without (i.e. covertly) the LA's knowledge:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In Parents/Children's Homes 2. In socials services premises 3. In LA Third Party contractors premises such as contact centres. 4. Does the LA have any contracts that allow or forbid such recordings with or without (i.e. covertly) the knowledge: 5. Does the LA engage with third parties that provide service that allow or forbid with or without (i.e. covertly) the knowledge: <p>And</p> <p>B. What is the LA's policy and practice regarding such recordings by service users.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Does it forbid or discourage such and how 2. Allow and encourage such and how 3. How does it inform on such policies as in 1 or 2 above prior to or during a meeting and how 4. If it is realised that such recording is or has taken place what is the LA's policy and practice regarding its response. 5. Does the LA have any sanctions policy or framework either under contract as in A 4. above or otherwise where such recordings have taken place by service users: 6. Does the LA engage with third parties that provide services especially such as contact centres 	<p>meetings being recorded using audio or video equipment. There may be very rare occasions when the use of recording equipment has been agreed but that would require the consent of all those present.</p>
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					for children as in A. 5. above have any sanctions policy or framework where such recordings have taken place by service users:	
Public	10654	15/09/2011	13/10/2011	DIRECTOR & HEAD'S OF DIVISION	<p>Subject: Royal Docks Sailing Centre Consultations</p> <p>1)Could you please provide me with all consultation reports which have taken place for royal Victoria docks sailing centre and water sports at the same location.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>All planning applications relating to the Royal Docks are available to view on our public access website. Please find the link below;</p> <p>http://www.newham.gov.uk/Planning/PlanningApplications/ViewPlanningandBuildingControlApplicationsOnline.htm</p>
Public	10682	15/09/2011	13/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: Traffic Regulation Order for Tabernacle Avenue, E13</p> <p>1)Can you please supply the Traffic Regulation Order for the parking signs foot path and carriageway in Tabernacle Avenue, Plaistow off Barking Road E13. In the TSRGD each sign and road marking is given a unique reference called a 'diagram' number.</p> <p>2)Could you also provide information regarding the rules and regulations with regards to road markings, positioning, width, length etc and the road sign positioning which enforces the traffic Order information you have provided.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.Please find attached the following traffic management orders (TMOs) that cover the waiting and loading restrictions and the community disabled bay in Tabernacle Avenue:</p> <p>2000/3 - waiting and loading 2007/52 - community disabled bay</p> <p>2.The above are the only TMOs relating to parking in Tabernacle Avenue. The Department for Transport's Traffic Signs Manual gives guidance on the use of traffic signs and road markings prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002 referred to below. Further details and copies are available at</p>

						http://www2.dft.gov.uk/pgr/roads/tss/tsm/annual/ Chapters 3 and 5 are particularly relevant.
Organisation	10680	16/09/2011	13/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: Public Space Surveillance camera positions</p> <p>1) A list of all Public Space Surveillance camera positions. This information is submitted to yourselves usually in the form of an asset register containing longitude and latitude or other geographical coordinates/indicators of the camera(s) position. This includes all cameras owned/operated by your organisation and also we request all positions of Bus Lane/Traffic enforcement cameras.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please find attached CCTV Town centre camera asset sheet as requested.</p>
Public	10674	16/09/2011	13/10/2011	Registration Service	<p>Subject: No next of kin</p> <p>Persons who have died with no known next of kin since 1/5/11</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Full names of deceased, 2.Dates of death, 3.Marital status, 4.Maiden surnames of married or widowed females, 5.Dates of birth or ages at death, 6.Last known addresses, 7.Estimated value of estates, 8.Date(s) when the information was passed (or information that is about to be or likely to be passed) to the Treasury Solicitor 	<p>Summary:</p> <p>We have decided to refuse your request, including taking into account guidance which the Treasury has issued in respect of such FOI requests.</p> <p>Under Section 21 of the Act London Borough of Newham is not required to provide information in response to a request if it is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the Treasury Solicitor's Department Bona Vacantia Division website at www.bonavacantia.gov.uk</p>

					<p>The council usually refer estates with a net value of over £500 to the Treasury Solicitor's Department. The department would then publish limited information about those valued at over £5,000, unless a claimant comes forward during the period before publication.</p> <p>In addition to this, the information you requested with regard to the date of birth and last known address are on the death certificate. This information is accessible from the General Register Office at www.gro.gov.uk.</p> <p>Further we rely on Section 31 of the Freedom of Information Act. This exemption applies where disclosure would be likely to prejudice a range of investigations and conduct, including the prevention and detection of crime. Releasing information under FOIA is equivalent to publishing it "to the world at large", and so our decision must be based on the likely effect of anyone having access to the requested information. The vast majority of the estates in question contain residential property, which, due to the circumstances of the estate, is likely to be empty, and in many cases will contain assets. Releasing information that identifies, either directly or indirectly, the whereabouts of such properties (and assets) before they have been secured</p>
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					<p>leads to a real and significant risk of theft and fraud. It may also alert unlawful occupiers to the location of empty properties in the borough. This could also interfere with the statutory function to collect bona vacantia (ownerless goods) vested in the Crown and would provide an opportunity for criminal acts to be committed.</p> <p>With regards to section 31 above (qualified exemption), a 'public interest test' is required to determine if the exemption is applicable. In applying this test we have considered the following factors:</p> <p>Factors in favour of disclosure: the general public interest in the promotion of transparency, accountability, public understanding and involvement in the democratic process; the benefits to potential beneficiaries of unclaimed estates of genealogists tracing them down earlier; the resulting likely effect of fewer empty properties in the borough; and, the commercial benefits to lawyers and genealogists in tracing beneficiaries.</p> <p>Factors against disclosure: disclosure would increase the risk of fraud and theft towards vulnerable estates, and potentially towards individuals; such fraud and theft would diminish the value of estates, estates that</p>
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						<p>potentially have beneficiaries; releasing information which may lead to the identification of empty properties increases the likelihood of unlawful occupation in the borough</p> <p>Whilst there are arguments on each side, we consider that, in the circumstances of the case, the public interest favours withholding this information.</p>
Media	10689	19/09/2011	13/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Teacher training days</p> <p>1) How many inset days and teacher training days are there in the forthcoming academic year?</p> <p>2) What are the dates of these teacher training and inset days?</p> <p>3) What is the purpose of an inset day?</p> <p>4) How does this purpose differ from the purpose of a teacher training day?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The 2011 School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document stated that:</p> <p>A teacher employed full-time must be available for work for 194 days, of which-</p> <p>189 days must be days on which the teacher may be required to teach pupils and perform other duties; and</p> <p>(b) 5 days must be days on which the teacher may only be required to perform other duties;</p> <p>Whilst the 5 days are variously called INSET or training days, there is no distinction between these terms and indeed, the contractual position is simply that teachers can be required to perform other duties, apart from teaching on those days.</p> <p>Attached are the Authority's published school term dates for 2011-12. It is for</p>

						<p>each head teacher to decide when the 4 days take place and what is done on those days.</p> <p>Please see below link to our website which sets out school term and holiday dates:</p> <p>http://www.newham.gov.uk/EducationAndLearning/Schools/Schooltermandholidaydates2011-12.htm</p>
Public	10692	19/09/2011	13/10/2011	Building Control	<p>Subject: Section 106 Guidance document</p> <p>12 fact sheets with formulae: Section 106 Guidance document as used by Development Control Officers in Planning section</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see attached the guidance note which is informal guidance and for internal use only. It was created in 2008 and due to its age is used as a starting point for negotiations only.</p> <p>Please note personal details of staff have been removed. Under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, information such as personal details, including names of individuals, are protected under the Data Protection Act 1998.</p> <p>Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides an absolute exemption where disclosure of personal data about individuals would contravene any of the data protection principles set out in the Data Protection Act. Therefore there is no requirement to consider the public interest test in</p>

						disclosure.
Business	10734	19/09/2011	14/10/2011	Pensions	<p>Subject: Commitment, Contribution and Value</p> <p>On 15th April, 2011 you kindly sent us Commitment, Contribution and Value as of 30th September, 2010 of your real estate and hedge fund data. We were extremely grateful to receive this data, as it is very helpful for our research.</p> <p>Do you have more recent records, specifically Commitment, Contribution, Distribution and Value, IRR as of 31st December, 2010? This list should include all such partnerships, i.e. private equity, venture capital, distressed debt, mezzanine, fund of funds and real estate investments. If so, is it possible for you to send them to us?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see attached spreadsheet for updated records.</p>
Public	10621	12/09/2011	17/10/2011	ICT	<p>Subject: ICT Contracts</p> <p>1) Can you please send me however many software licensing contracts in the allocated time frame?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please find below details of the software contracts as requested.</p> <p>1) a. Microsoft b. £1,492,216 c. 3 Years d. 18/04/2014 e. Enterprise agreement approx 5000 users f. 18/04/2013 g. Yes h. Chief Information Officer - ICT</p>

						<p>2) a. RMS Services Ltd b. £35,000 c. One year d. 25/03/2012 e. 100 f. 24/12/2011 g. Yes h. Chief Information Officer - ICT</p> <p>3) a. Microdec PLC b. £130,000 c. 4 years d. 2012 e. approx. 90 f. 2012 g. No h. Electronic Business Applications Officer - Regeneration</p> <p>4) a. ISV b. £14,200 c. 18 months d. 21/10/2011 e. Approx 5 f. Autumn 2011 g. No h. Regeneration officer</p> <p>5) a. Lumesse b. £110,580 (The contract value is for provision of an e-recruitment solution)</p>
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					<p>c. 4 years d. September 2014 e. 500 f. September 2013 g. No h. Lead Officer – Human Resources 6)</p> <p>a. Meridian Legal Systems Ltd b. The London Borough of Newham will not disclose information that would prejudice the commercial interests any company and therefore will not be releasing the value of this particular contract.</p> <p>Section 43(2) Commercial interests: Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to; prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). Section 43 is a qualified exemption therefore we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. Whilst we accept that the public interest is likely to be served by promoting accountability and transparency by public authorities, we consider that, in this case, there is a greater public interest in non-disclosure. In this case the supply is specialist legal supply and the market fairly small. LBN seeks to obtain VFM through ensuring it works hard to get favourable rates in the interest of the public purse. Therefore it is considered more in the public interest of the Council to withhold publication of this information as to do so could give</p>
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					<p>rise to an increase in the cost or a reluctance by suppliers to supply under better rates.</p> <p>c. Annual Rolling d. November 2011 e. 60 f. Adhoc as required g. Yes h. Quality, Marketing and Accreditations Officer</p> <p>7)</p> <p>a. IKEN Business Ltd b. The London Borough of Newham will not disclose information that would prejudice the commercial interests any company and therefore will not be releasing the value of this particular contract. (Please see above 6b). c. Annual Rolling d. None e. 28 f. Adhoc as required g. Yes h. Quality, Marketing and Accreditations Officer</p> <p>As advised in our previous response, this information is not held centrally. To provide such information for all ICT contracts, where there are in excess of 200 contracts, would require an officer to locate and then manually trawl through each contract to extract the data you have requested, which will exceed the appropriate limit. Therefore we have</p>
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						<p>provided what we can in the allocated period as per your request.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act, the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the 'appropriate limit'. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and has decided to refuse your request for information under Section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p>
Public	10647	12/09/2011	17/10/2011	HERITAGE SERVICES	<p>Subject: Spotted Dog Public House</p> <p>Spotted Dog public house Options Appraisal, Heritage of London Trust Operations as directed by Laura Norris at HOLTOp and as written by Butler and Hegarty Architects, Hockley and Dawson structural engineers, Sawyer and Fisher quantity surveyors and Compass archaeology</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>We can confirm that we hold this information. However, we consider that releasing it would be prejudicial to commercial interests of the local authority's and external organisations. Also, disclosure would be likely to inhibit the free and frank exchange of views within local government.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act we have the right to refuse a request for information held if an exemption applies.</p>

					<p>We believe in this case two exemptions apply: Section 43 of the Freedom of Information Act (the Act) – Commercial Interest and Section 36 (the Act) – prejudicial to the effective conduct of public affairs. We have therefore decided to refuse your request on these grounds.</p> <p>Section 43 is a qualified exemption therefore we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. We acknowledge that the public interest is served by promoting transparency by public authorities for decisions taken by them so that individuals and companies can understand the basis of those decisions and, in some cases, assisting individuals in challenging them. However, in this instance, we consider that there is a greater public interest in protecting the confidentiality of commercially sensitive information, which could, if disclosed, damage the interest of the local authority and the organisations concerned. The ‘Options Appraisal’ document contains proposals, plans and financial forecast information regarding the future development of the ‘Spotty Dog’ and neighbouring land. We consider that premature release of this commercially sensitive information could undermine the process by revealing market-sensitive information to competitors. Therefore, we have decided that in this case the public interest lies in favour of</p>
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						<p>withholding the requested information.</p> <p>We also consider that section 36 exemption applies. This section relates to information that, if disclosed, would adversely affect the delivery of public services and exempts information which disclosure would likely to inhibit the free and frank provision of advice and exchange of views for the purpose of deliberation and prejudice the conduct of public affairs, amongst other factors.</p> <p>The Council's Proper Officer, as required by the Act, has deemed that it would not be appropriate to release the information requested under the provisions of section 36, as it is more in the public interest to withhold the information as release would be likely to prejudice the effective conduct of public affairs, inhibit free and frank provision of advice and exchange of views within local government.</p> <p>In coming to this decision the Proper Officer has had regard to the matters outlined on the attached analysis.</p> <p>However, you may wish to approach the Heritage of London Trust Operations who has prepared the document.</p>
Media	10714	21/09/2011	17/10/2011	Street Lighting	<p>Subject: Street Lighting</p> <p>1. The number of street lights run by the local</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1) There are 19,231 street lights run by</p>

					<p>authority.</p> <p>2. The current arrangements for turning off or dimming streets lights overnight including the number of lights affected and the hours that apply.</p> <p>3. The saving of any arrangement in 2 above.</p> <p>4. The cost of switching off or dimming street lights as per 2 above.</p> <p>5. The cost of upgrading any road markings and/or removing any light columns to meeting arrangements in 2 above.</p> <p>6. Details of any decisions pending as relate to the running of street lights.</p>	<p>the London Borough of Newham.</p> <p>2) None.</p> <p>3) Not applicable.</p> <p>4) Not applicable.</p> <p>5) Not applicable.</p> <p>6) None.</p>
Organisation	10726	22/09/2011	17/10/2011	CYPS - Safeguarding Intervention	<p>Subject: Out of county placements</p> <p>Please provide me with your policy on placing children and young people in out of county placements.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The policy of the London Borough of Newham is always to seek placements for our young people within the borough except where the specific needs of a young person dictate otherwise or due to the non-availability of an appropriate in-borough placement.</p>
Public	10717	20/09/2011	18/10/2011	Housing Benefit Service	<p>Subject: Housing Benefit</p> <p>Please send me the following information on housing benefit payments in your area:</p> <p>1. The approximate number of households being paid over £1000 per month in housing benefit.</p> <p>2. The approximate number of households being paid over £2000 per month in housing benefit.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.4,795 households receive Housing Benefit of more than £1,000 per calendar month.</p> <p>2.12 households receive Housing Benefit of more than £2,000 per calendar month.</p>

Public	10736	21/09/2011	18/10/2011	Communications/Press office/publicity	<p>Subject: Fireworks display</p> <p>Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act I would like to request the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The amount of money spent by the council on fireworks displays in each of the last five years, detailed year-by-year. - The number of fireworks displays, funded by the council, held in each of the last five years, detailed year-by-year. - A list of all council funded fireworks displays and the estimated number of attendees at each. 	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1: The amount of money spent by the council on fireworks displays in each of the last five years, detailed year-by-year.</p> <p>2006 – 2007 = We are unable to provide the amount spent as this task would require officers to manually search through a vast number of financial records which have not been systematically archived and would therefore exceed the appropriate limit.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and has decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p> <p>2007 – 2008 = Please see above. 2008 – 2009 = £27,100.00 2009 – 2010 = £43,650.00 2010 – 2011 = £50,000.00</p>
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					<p>2: The number of fireworks displays, funded by the council, held in each of the last five years, detailed year-by-year.</p> <p>2006 – 2007 = 2 displays 2007 – 2008 = 2 displays 2008 – 2009 = 2 displays 2009 – 2010 = 3 displays 2010 – 2011 = 3 displays</p> <p>3: A list of all council funded fireworks displays and the estimated number of attendees at each.</p> <p>Under The Stars 2006 (*) – 28,500 Guy Fawkes Night 2006 – No records available</p> <p>Under The Stars 2007 (*) – 35,400 Guy Fawkes Night 2007 – 23,000</p> <p>Under The Stars 2008 (*) – 42,000 Guy Fawkes Night 2008 – 5,000</p> <p>Under The Stars 2009 (*) – 32,000 Guy Fawkes Night 2009 – 11,000 Britannia Village Fireworks 2009 – 3,000</p> <p>Under The Stars 2010 (*) – 42,000 Waterfront Festival 2010 (*) – 17,000 Guy Fawkes Night 2010 – 23,000</p> <p>(*) Fireworks were used as part of the</p>
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						entertainment at these events although they were not the primary attraction.
Public	10713	21/09/2011	18/10/2011	CYPS - Youth Support	<p>Subject: Youth Services</p> <p>1) Please provide details of the following: - (a) All council-run youth/young people's services, youth groups, youth clubs and young people's organisations that were abolished in the period January 2010 - August 2011 (incl) - (b) All council-run youth/young people's services, youth groups, youth clubs and young people's organisations that had their funding reduced in the period January 2010 - August 2011 (incl) 2) In (1) above, please provide the name of the service, group, etc involved, as well as the number of members (if known), and its annual budget (in £) 3) In (1)(b) above, please provide the amount (in £) by which the service, group, etc's funding was reduced - i.e. its annual budget before the cut and its annual budget after the cut.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1a) No Council run youth/ young people's services were abolished in the period January 2010 - August 2011.</p> <p>b) No Council run youth/ young people's services had their funding cut in the period January 2010-August 2011.</p> <p>2. Not applicable.</p> <p>3. Not applicable.</p>
Business	10780	21/09/2011	18/10/2011	Strategic Properties	<p>Subject: Section 106 Agreement in relation to 110 Garvary Road (Cundy House), Custom House London E16</p> <p>Under the terms of clause 5.1 of the Agreement you were paid the sum of £240,000.00 to be applied for the provision of affordable housing which you stated was required as a result of the development of the above property.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council received the £240,000 Affordable Housing Payment in the financial year of 2002/03. The funds were allocated for use in the Settled Homes Initiative bid however the Council lost the bid in 2009 and the funds were reallocated to the North Woolwich Council New Build project.</p>

					<p>In our letters and emails we have requested that the Council confirm the date the Funds were received and whether they have been spent in accordance with the agreement. We have also requested that the Council provides us with evidence of the allocation and use of this funding by way of Committee reports and minutes, Officer's Delegated Reports or other written evidence such as invoices/ receipts.</p>	<p>Please find attached the Tender Acceptance report.</p> <p>Please note we have removed some information under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as personal details, including names and contact details, are protected under the Data Protection Act 1998. Disclosure would therefore contravene the first data protection principle, which requires that personal data shall be processed fairly and lawfully by the London Borough of Newham.</p> <p>Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides an absolute exemption where disclosure of personal data about individuals would contravene any of the data protection principles set out in the Data Protection Act. Therefore there is no requirement to consider the public interest test in disclosure.</p> <p>Furthermore, under Section 43, information is exempt from disclosure if releasing it would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). We consider that a contractor's rates are commercially sensitive information. The London Borough of Newham will not disclose information that would prejudice the commercial interests of any company. As</p>
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						<p>such, we cannot provide the unit cost as requested. Section 43 is a qualified exemption therefore we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. Whilst we accept that the public interest is likely to be served by promoting accountability and transparency by public authorities, we consider that there is a greater public interest in maintaining the confidentiality of commercially sensitive information.</p> <p>To date £105,471 has been spent and the remainder of the funds are due to be spent by December 2011.</p>
Public	10728	22/09/2011	18/10/2011	CYPS - Schools Traded Services	<p>Subject: Costs of Pupil Referral Units</p> <p>1. The cost per term of sending a pupil to each and every Pupil Referral Unit (PRU) within your local authority's jurisdiction. If these costs differ from unit to unit, please will you supply me with a breakdown of cost per named PRU (e.g., that it costs the Authority £5000 to place a child in "X" PRU for a term and £10,000 to place a child for a term in "Y" PRU).</p> <p>2. What the total cost to your local authority was of each individual Pupil Referral unit within your local authority's jurisdiction in the last school year (2010-11).</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. There are two Pupil Referral Units in the London Borough of Newham: - The cost to send a pupil to 'New Directions' is £2,892 per term. - The cost to send a pupil to 'Tunmarsh' PRU is £6,453 per term.</p> <p>2. Please see below the total cost to Newham Council per PRU in 2010/11: - New Directions : £2,221,629 - Tunmarsh PRU : £1,393,853</p>
Business	10740	23/09/2011	18/10/2011	Business Rates	<p>Subject: Business rates</p> <p>How many companies in your jurisdiction are liable for more than one rating/ assessment?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council's business rates system is not sophisticated enough to be able to</p>

					<p>Please provide the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> *company name *number of rating assessment liable for * Individual addresses for each assessment *Individual rateable values for each assessment *individual billing authority reference number for each assessment *date of occupation for each assessment by occupying company 	<p>report on the number of multiple accounts a particular ratepayer has. This would require software scripts to be procured and officers to manually trawl through 6,600 records, taking approximately 220 hours; this would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and has decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>12 Exemption where cost of compliance exceeds appropriate limit (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.</p>
Public	10762	23/09/2011	18/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Traffic Wardens</p> <p>Whether your traffic wardens are paid any incentives or bonuses related to the number of tickets they issue and if so whether this is official policy and approved of by your elected representatives. If so, please provide me with evidence that this is so.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The Council has a contract with Mouchel to manage parking enforcement within the borough. There is no provision within the contract to pay incentives or performance related bonus to traffic attendants based on the number of tickets they issue. In addition, Mouchel advised</p>

						that such benefits are not paid.
Public	10747	23/09/2011	18/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: Parking Order</p> <p>Please supply a PDF copy of</p> <p>THE NEWHAM (MANOR PARK) (PARKING PLACES) (SPECIAL PARKING AREA) (NO. 1) ORDER 2006</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see attached requested document.</p>
Public	10742	23/09/2011	18/10/2011	Private Sector & Adaptations	<p>Subject: Housing Adaptations for people with disabilities</p> <p>1.The total council expenditure on adaptations to council properties using the disabled facilities grant in each of the last three years; (Jan-Dec years as opposed to financial years)</p> <p>2.The number of adaptations to council properties provided for by the disabled facilities grant in each of the last three years;</p> <p>3.The total council expenditure on adaptations to non-council properties using the disabled facilities grant in each of the last three years;</p> <p>4.The number of adaptations to non-council properties provided for by the disabled facilities grant in each of the last three years.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Nil. The Council does not use disabled facilities grant funding for adaptations to Council properties. They are funded separately by the Council.</p> <p>2. Nil. Please see above.</p> <p>3. Please see below the amount spent on adaptations to non-Council properties using the disabled facilities grant. Please note, these amounts are the sums provided by Newham Council in addition to the disabled facilities grant funding from central Government:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">2008 - £603,099 2009 - £632,221 2010 - £580,135</p> <p>4. Please see below the number of adaptations to non-council properties provided for by the disabled facilities grant:</p>

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Public	10718	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Parking & Car Parks	<p>Subject: RPZ changes in E15</p> <p>1/ RE recent restricted parking changes at GURNEY RD, & CRUIKSHANK RD E15 and the consultation for residents, How many residents on these roads supported the changes (Numbers only, percentages etc I understand re Data protection you cannot release specific details)</p> <p>2/ What reasons, what discussions that took place (recorded in minutes or otherwise) that decided to exclude the faith group that meets at Grace Baptist Church on the junction of these 2 rd's, from these important consultations.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.Stratford North West RPZ was treated as a whole rather than road-by-road when considering changes to parking days and hours. There will be a further review of the parking controls in the five Stratford RPZs in January next year (2012).</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Addresses</td> <td>Return</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Support extension of hours</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Oppose extension</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Stratford North West</td> <td>1670</td> <td>20 %</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>62%</td> <td>38%</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>2. A consultation pack was delivered to every address within the RPZ. Notices were erected on every road and articles placed in the Newham Mag & local press informing public about the consultation. Thus, all relevant groups/individuals had the opportunity to participate</p>		Addresses	Return			Support extension of hours				Oppose extension			Stratford North West	1670	20 %		62%	38%		
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Public	10715	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Learning and Schools Service - (Non Schools)	<p>Subject: Support for Dyslexic School Pupils</p> <p>1) Actual spend by the Council on the provision</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1) Newham schools have the</p>																				

					<p>of support for dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2009/10 and 2010/11, including staffing and all other expenditure.</p> <p>2) Projected or budgeted council spending on the provision of support for dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2011/12, and 2012/13, including staffing and all other expenditure.</p> <p>3) The number of full time equivalent staff employed by the local authority to assist dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2009/10, and 2010/11.</p> <p>4) The projected number of full time equivalent staff employed by the local authority to assist dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2011/12, and 2012 /13.</p> <p>5) The number of full time equivalent specialist dyslexia teachers employed by the Council in the financial years 2009/10, and 2010/11.</p> <p>6) The projected number of full time equivalent specialist dyslexia teachers to be employed by the Council in the financial years 2011/2012, and 2012/13.</p>	<p>responsibility of providing support to dyslexic children and many employ qualified teachers in dyslexia to do this whilst others use the advisory teams to assess children. However the specific spend on dyslexia is not available as schools receive their funding as part of a formula and this is not broke down into spending for dyslexic pupils within Newham schools.</p> <p>2) Please see above.</p> <p>3) In 2009 -2010 there were 4.9 full time equivalent advisory teachers employed to assist dyslexic school pupils. In 2010 - 2011 there were also 4.9 full time equivalent advisory teachers.</p> <p>4) The Council is expecting to review all staffing in learning support services by July 2012. Therefore we cannot provide numbers at present</p> <p>5) Please see response to question 3.</p> <p>6) We are unable to provide projected numbers at present as the Council is expecting to review all staffing in learning support services by July 2012.</p>
Public	10716	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Human Resources	<p>Subject: Political Assistants</p> <p>1) Does your council employ any political assistants using council funds? If yes to the above, how many and for which political</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Newham Council does not employ Political Assistants.</p>

					<p>party/parties?</p> <p>2) What are their salaries?</p> <p>3) Since when (which year) have they been employed? I.e. for how long have you had political assistants?</p>	<p>2. Not applicable.</p> <p>3. Not applicable.</p> <p>4. Not applicable.</p>
Media	10709	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Parking Permits</p> <p>1. The price of an annual resident parking permit for a first car in September 2011, September 2010 and September 2009. Where the cost of the permit varies by zone please provide i) the most expensive and ii) the cheapest price, and the area/zone where these prices apply.</p> <p>2. The price of an annual resident parking permit for a first car in January 2012. Where the cost of the permit will vary by zone please provide the cost of both i) the most expensive and ii) the cheapest permit, and the area/zone where these prices will apply.</p> <p>3. The cost of a single visitor parking ticket in September 2011, September 2010 and September 2009. Where the cost of the visitor parking tickets varied by zone please provide i) the most expensive and ii) the cheapest price, and the area/zone where these prices apply.</p> <p>4. The cost of a single visitor parking ticket in January 2012. Where the cost of the visitor parking tickets varied by zone please provide i) the most expensive and ii) the cheapest price, and the area/zone where these prices apply.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.The price of an annual resident parking permit for a first car in: September 2011 - Free September 2010 - Free September 2009 - £15 Permit prices do not vary by zone.</p> <p>2.The price of an annual resident parking permit for a first car in January 2012 will be free.. As stated above permit prices do not vary by zone.</p> <p>3.The cost of a single visitor parking ticket in: September 2011 - 50p for 6 hour visitor permits September 2010 - 30p for 6 hour visitor permits September 2009 - 30p per hour. Permit prices do not vary by zone.</p> <p>4.The cost of a single visitor parking ticket in: January 2012: 6 hour visitor permits - £0.50 10 hour visitor cards - £3 24 hour visitor cards - £5.</p>

				<p>5. The amount of revenue received by the council in each of the last 3 financial years (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11) from parking permits (including residential, business and visitor). Please only include revenue from parking permits in this total and exclude all other parking charges.</p> <p>6. The predicted amount of revenue that the council will receive from parking permits (including residential, business and visitor) in 2011/12. Please only include revenue from parking permits in this total and exclude all other parking charges.</p> <p>7. The total number of residential parking permits awarded by the council in each of the last 3 financial years (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11).</p> <p>8. The total number of business parking permits awarded by the council in each of the last 3 financial years (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11).</p> <p>9. The total number of visitor parking tickets purchased in each of the last 3 financial years (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11).</p> <p>10. The number of households in the borough.</p>	<p>5. The amount of revenue received by the council in each of the last 3 financial years from parking permits: 2008/09 - £ 669,308 2009/10 - £ 587,752 2010/11 - £ 784,652</p> <p>6. The predicted amount of revenue that the council will receive from parking permits in 2011/12 is £883,000.00.</p> <p>7. The total number of residential parking permits awarded by the council in each of the last 3 financial years: 2008/09 - 15,965 2009/10 - 17,038 2010/11 - 22,227</p> <p>8. The total number of business parking permits awarded by the council in each of the last 3 financial years: 2008/09 - 1,787 x 12 month permits, 247 x 6 month permits, 306 x 3 month permits 2009/10 - 1,828 x 12 month permits, 279 x 6 month permits, 197 x 3 month permits 2010/11 - 1,977 x 12 month permits, 264 x 6 month permits, 199 x 3 month permits</p> <p>9. The total number of visitor parking tickets purchased in each of the last 3 financial years: 2008/09 - 42,872 books (consists of</p>
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						<p>428,720 visitors permits) 2009/10 - 35,130 books (consists of 351,300 visitors permits) 2010/11 - 65,663 books (consists of 656,630 visitors permits) From 1 July 2011 as part of the Mayor's Promise 2011-12 to the residents of Newham, households which fall within a Residential Parking Zones (RPZs) that do not already have a valid residents' parking permit are now entitled to up to 30 free one-day visitors' vouchers per year. The free vouchers are available for all those who do not own a car or have a car registered to their address. Also, to ensure that it is only Newham residents who benefit from this scheme you must either be registered for Council Tax or, if you are not the Council Tax payer, appear on the electoral roll.</p> <p>10. There are approximately 103,863 properties in the borough.</p>
Media	10710	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Newham Unit for 2012 Games	<p>Subject: Olympic Tickets</p> <p>1.How many London 2012 Olympic tickets the Local Authority has bought 2.To which events have tickets been bought? 3.The cost of these tickets, and the total amount spent on London 2012 Olympics?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. We have purchased 100 tickets for the Olympic Games. We have applied for a further 200 Olympic tickets and 200 for the Paralympics Games, though these have yet to be confirmed.</p> <p>2. These will be issued to inspiring people in the community, nominated by local residents. See</p>

					<p>www.newham.gov.uk/2012games/inspiring people for details.</p> <p>3. Please see the attached spreadsheet.</p> <p>Please see the attached spreadsheet. The tickets will be purchased using money we have received from the London Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games (LOCOG) for hire of our venues and facilities. Aside from the amount spent on the tickets the Council has made no direct investment in the 2012 Games – these are delivered by other agencies, primarily LOCOG and the Olympic Delivery Authority. However, we do fund a small 2012 team which acts as the interface with these agencies. The annual cost of this team is set out in our Annual Budget Book which is published on our website:http://ww1.newham.gov.uk/Pages/SearchResults.aspx?k=ANNUAL%20BUDGET%20BOOK</p> <p>For more information about the games please visit:</p> <p>http://www.newham.gov.uk/2012Games/</p>	
Media	10737	21/09/2011	19/10/2011	Housing Partnerships	<p>Subject: Squatting</p> <p>I wish to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.</p> <p>1) Can you please provide figures for the number</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. There are 4 Council-owned residential properties that are currently deemed as 'squatted'. There are no squatters in Council-owned commercial properties.</p>

					<p>of cases of squatting of council homes and council-owned commercial properties in the last year, and if possible indicate how this compares to previous years?</p> <p>2) Can you also provide any information held on the squatting of privately owned properties in your borough?</p> <p>3) Finally, can you please give details of any council operations to target squatters?</p>	<p>The aspect of your request regarding comparison with previous years is not specific enough for us to answer. You may wish to raise another Freedom of Information request with a precise time period.</p> <p>2. We only hold information on Council-owned properties.</p> <p>3. A joint operation was carried out in July 2010 in partnership with the Metropolitan Police, the Community Safety Division and the Housing Team to target squatters. 48 evictions were carried out in total in the Canning Town and Custom House Regeneration Area. Of the total evictions carried out 20 were the direct result of the joint Metropolitan Police and Council operation. Legal action is being pursued by the Council to possess the 4 properties currently deemed as 'squatted'.</p>														
Public	10727	22/09/2011	19/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Penalty Charge Notices issued under code 21</p> <p>1)How many Penalty Charge Notices (PCNs) were issued in Newham under code 21 (parked wholly or partly in a suspended bay or space) in the years 2006 - 2011 inclusive? If possible, please break the total down by year.</p> <p>If possible, please supply details of the number of</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1)</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>No. of PCNs issued</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2006</td> <td>653</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2007</td> <td>497</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2008</td> <td>228</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2009</td> <td>297</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2010</td> <td>777</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2011</td> <td>1216</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	No. of PCNs issued	2006	653	2007	497	2008	228	2009	297	2010	777	2011	1216
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					the purposes that you have disclosed.	<p>investigations. This is on an adhoc basis and happens rarely as we use our own staff wherever possible.</p> <p>Newham Council has spent £67977.79 in the last 5 years in respect of the use of investigators to carry out surveillance under RIPA .These are low value one off arrangements with relevant specialist providers which are procured as and when required.</p>
Business	10756	26/09/2011	19/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Young people accommodated under section 20</p> <p>How many young people aged 16 or 17 were 'accommodated' under Section 20 of the Children Act 1989 due to them being homeless in 2009/10 and in 2010/11</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>In 2009/10 the London Borough of Newham accommodated 45 children over the age of 16. In 2010/11 the London Borough of Newham accommodated 24 children over the age of 16.</p> <p>These children would have been homeless had they not been accommodated under Section 20 of the Children Act 1989.</p>
Public	10758	26/09/2011	19/10/2011	Communications/Pres s office/publicity	<p>Subject: Newham TV</p> <p>Around 2005/6 there was a program or channel called Newham TV. I would like to know the following.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How long did this program/channel run for? 2. How much did it cost? 	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Newham Council has neither funded nor had any involvement with 'Newham TV'.</p>

Organisation	10773	27/09/2011	19/10/2011	Animal Welfare	<p>Subject: Stray dogs</p> <p>I would be grateful if you could advise me what the TOTAL annual expenditure is for your Stray Dog Control. Please provide a breakdown of all related costs within this to include Staffing, Office Space, Telephone Costs, Administration Costs, Kennelling, Food, Medication, Provision for Micro-Chipping, Vehicles, Education, and any other related costs that have not been listed here.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Unfortunately we are not able to provide a break down of costs just for stray dogs.</p> <p>This is due to a wide range of services that Animal Welfare provide that are all incorporated within the same budget. The Animal Welfare Service also deal with dangerous dogs, boarding of dogs for other Local Authorities, prosecutions where animals can be held for several months, boarding for Social Services whilst people are in hospital, as well as boarding for Housing services.</p> <p>In addition, Animal Welfare deal with the licensing of pet shop, breeding animals, dangerous wild animals and performing animals. The budget and running costs for Animal Welfare incorporate all of the above and for the running of the 34 kennels and 9 cattery units. In addition, they deal with a wide range of animals.</p>
Public	10790	28/09/2011	19/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: SNE Zone</p> <p>Follow up to E9935:</p> <p>It is stated that replies to the consultation exercise met the 20% threshold for SNE zone but it is not stated what the actual percentage of replies was. It could be anywhere from 20% to 100% but I suspect it was at the lower end.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>A consultation pack was delivered to every address within the SNE zone. 20% (175) of the addresses (resident and business) returned completed questionnaires. All duplicate forms (in supporting or opposing) were discounted.</p>

					<p>Also it is stated that 67% of respondents were in favour of changing the days and hours of controlled parking in SNE but it does not say what percentage were in favour of the change actually selected by the Council. It is quite possible, and indeed probable, that a large proportion of this 67% wanted some change but not to the very restrictive extent actually chosen and some might have even wanted a reduction of previously existing controls. It would be interesting to see how the 67% breaks down between different options.</p> <p>Is it possible to provide this information please? I believe the Council has an obligation to show that there is a democratic mandate for the decision taken.</p>	<p>As indicated, 67% of the responses supported a change to the days and hours of parking control. Of these 53% (or 68% of those requesting a change) supported increasing the days to Monday to Sunday; 29% supported Monday to Saturday; and 17% supported retaining Monday to Friday. When considering the hours of control, 52% supported increasing the hours operate 8am to 9pm and 48% supported 8am to 6.30pm. Although a small majority supported increasing the hours until 9pm it was less than the required 55% required in a straight comparison.</p> <p>The results of the public consultation was considered by the Council to be inline with its decision process, and therefore was progressed.</p>
Public	10794	29/09/2011	19/10/2011	Housing Partnerships	<p>Subject: Council Homes</p> <p>The total number of homes designated as social housing within the Newham Borough at the current time.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>As at 1st April 2011, the total dwelling stock within the borough was 17,567.</p>
Organisation	10834	22/09/2011	20/10/2011	DP Libraries	<p>Subject: Library Services Reduced - Stratford Library closing</p> <p>It has been brought to our attention that you be closing the flagship Newham Stratford Library and also Beckton, with a reduction of facilities and services.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. When exactly will these libraries be closing? Beckton library was closed for refurbishment on Saturday 17 September 2011. Stratford library was closed for refurbishment on Saturday 1 October</p>

					<p>Is this true?</p> <p>1. when exactly will these libraries be closing?</p> <p>2. When will they be re-opening and with what services?</p> <p>3. Is it true that the Stratford children's library is being amalgamated with the adult library on the ground floor?</p> <p>4. Is it true there will no longer be the children's learning zone and study area on the ground floor?</p> <p>5. Is the study area and research facilities on the upper 1st floor to be closed?</p> <p>6. Is it correct that the local service centre at Stratford Broadway is being relocated on the upper floor study area of Stratford Library?</p> <p>7. Please can you confirm how many libraries have been closed in Newham to date?</p> <p>8. What is the policies/procedures on consulting the public of these closures?</p>	<p>2011.</p> <p>2. When will they be re-opening and with what services? Both libraries will be re-opening in spring 2012.</p> <p>Beckton Globe library will re-open with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • compact self serve kiosks that will make payments and service booking easier and quicker • quick access to services and information based around your needs • the same free family events programme • 22 computers (eight more than previous) • bright modern facilities which make the most of the space. <p>Stratford Library will re-open with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a flexible, family friendly children's area • a teenager's section • an expansion to the popular study area • the same free family events programme • 13 additional computers (taking the total in the library up to 42) • compact self-serve kiosks that will make council payments and service booking easier and
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					<p>quicker</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Face-to-face advice about all council services. <p>3. Is it true that the Stratford children's library is being amalgamated with the adult library on the ground floor? No, the children's library will remain a separate area on the ground floor.</p> <p>4. Is it true there will no longer be the children's learning zone and study area on the ground floor? No, we will retain the children's learning zone and it will remain on the ground floor.</p> <p>5. Is the study area and research facilities on the upper 1st floor to be closed? No, the study areas on the first floor will not be closed.</p> <p>6. Is it correct that the local service centre at Stratford Broadway is being relocated on the upper floor study area of Stratford Library? Yes.</p> <p>7. Please can you confirm how many libraries have been closed in Newham to date? No libraries have been closed or are</p>
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					<p>planned to close.</p> <p>8. What is the policies/procedures on consulting the public of these closures? As we are not reducing a service there is no requirement for the council to consult formally. However, we have been speaking with residents about the proposed changes and there is a drop-in session planned for 16 November from 10.30am-12.30pm at Stratford Town Hall for people who would like to see 3-D plans of the new layout.</p> <p><u>Further questions:</u></p> <p>Where is the children's area is going to be re-located to? The children's area will be located to where the current 'Teen area' is located on the ground floor.</p> <p>Will it (children's library) remain exactly the same size with the same access to computers and services for parents and children? The children's area will not remain exactly the same size at the current location. Both parents and children will have improved access to computers.</p> <p>Where is the study area is going to be relocated to? and what the expansion will entail? The study area will remain on the first</p>
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						<p>floor. The current plans show two study areas one at each end of the library.</p> <p>Where are the general Resources area, computer area, and tables study books presently on the ground floor going to be moved to?</p> <p>The computer area will move and there will be an increased number of PC's. The nonfiction stock currently on the first floor will remain on the first floor.</p>
Public	10748	22/09/2011	20/10/2011	Communications/Pres s office/publicity	<p>Subject: Mayor's show/ Under the stars breakdown of costs</p> <p>Follow on request from E9792</p> <p>Firstly, i am surprised that the forecast total spend for a four day event, Under the Stars, is less than the two day Mayor's show.</p> <p>Secondly, the costs for stage and lighting do not appear in the breakdown for Under the Stars, and I know these were part of the event.</p> <p>Thirdly, 'consumables' appears in the Mayor's show breakdown but not in Under the Stars. Presumably such expenses were incurred during this even too.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.Although Under The Stars is a four day event, it occupies only half of East Ham Central Park whereas the Mayor's Newham Show is spread across the whole park. This means that we need much more infrastructure such us barriers. Also in terms of content, Under The Stars is just a music event with one performance stage while the Mayor's Newham Show has got at least three performance areas in addition to a number of activities and stalls.</p> <p>2.The amount stated for production (£211,079.16) for Under The Stars include the costs for stage and lighting. The breakdown for these items is: Stage: £16,275.00 Lighting: £8,341.00</p> <p>3.The supply of consumables purchased for the Mayor's Newham Show suffice</p>

						for Under The Stars as well.
Public	10744	23/09/2011	21/10/2011	DP Libraries	<p>Subject: Library stocks in Newham</p> <p>1. How many public libraries are there in the borough? (Not including those in schools, universities, prisons, etc - just the number run for the general public.)</p> <p>2. How many books, DVDs and CDs are currently overdue at these libraries? (If calculating this will exceed the cost limit, please give a figure for books only.)</p> <p>3. What is the total estimated value of fines on these items? If the council caps its fines, please also give the figure which would theoretically be owed if they had not been capped.</p> <p>3. Which are the five most overdue items at public libraries in the borough? In each case, please give the title, author, when the item was borrowed and the size of the fine attached to it.</p> <p>As above, where fines have been capped please outline what the fine would be if it had been allowed to increase unchecked.</p> <p>4. If the council's libraries have had any books or other resources returned which were overdue by several years, I would be grateful for information on these cases.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.10</p> <p>2. Books Overdue - 38,792 DVDs Overdue - 5,412 CDs Overdue - 1,441 includes CD Spoken Word Misc Categories - 956 Total Overdue - 46,681</p> <p>3. A fine is generated once an item is returned. The calculation of the amount owed is based on the type of borrower, type of material and the opening days of the branch from which the item is borrowed. In order to work out the total fine for the items listed in the response to question 2 officers would be required to interrogate the computer system looking at individual items and the number of days each item is overdue then manually calculate the total cost of the items. This would be resource intensive and would exceed the 2.5 days limit. Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and have decided to refuse your request for information under</p>

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Public	10746	23/09/2011	21/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Revenue from removed vehicles</p> <p>Please provide details of revenue from vehicle removals for the years 2005 to 2011 inclusive, broken down by year if possible.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. 2005-06 - £ 317,465 2006-07 - £ 266,975 2007-08 - £ 423,125 2008-09 - £ 500,410</p>																														

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Media	10765	26/09/2011	24/10/2011	Insurance, Treasury Management; Superannuation Fun	<p>Subject: Compensation to teachers</p> <p>In the last financial year 2010/2011 please provide me with the number of settlements and the total amount paid as compensation to teachers or teaching assistants for injuries sustained at schools or outside schools, while in the course of their employment for the council. For each incident please provide me with the amount of compensation, costs and a summary of the claim.</p> <p>Note: The question relates to payments made in 2010/2011 regardless of when the incident took place. If the settlement was made by the authority's insurers it is still information "held" by your authority under the terms of the Act.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. There were 18 claims settled between 01/04/2010 and 31/03/2011 for teachers and teaching assistants. The total amount of claims was £54,105.08.</p> <p>2. Please see table below for a breakdown as requested. Please note, our system does not separately record compensation and costs to the Council, therefore we are unable to provide this information. Furthermore, some of the below cases are still open and may not reflect the final settlement or costs.</p> <table> <thead> <tr> <th>Case no.</th> <th>Summary of claim</th> <th>Cost</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Bench collapsed</td> <td>£20,524.08</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Slip</td> <td>£5,618.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Falling Boxes</td> <td>£8,495.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>Fall/ Pulled by a child</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>Chair leg hit foot</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>Assault</td> <td>£1,237.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>Tripped over a chair</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8</td> <td>Struck by a window</td> <td>£10,825.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9</td> <td>Fall</td> <td>£1,238.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10</td> <td>Struck by a window</td> <td>£2,035.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11</td> <td>Fall</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12</td> <td>Fall</td> <td>£0</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13</td> <td>Fall</td> <td>£1,700.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>14</td> <td>Item dropped on toe</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Case no.	Summary of claim	Cost	1	Bench collapsed	£20,524.08	2	Slip	£5,618.84	3	Falling Boxes	£8,495.00	4	Fall/ Pulled by a child	£0	5	Chair leg hit foot	£0	6	Assault	£1,237.50	7	Tripped over a chair	£0	8	Struck by a window	£10,825.50	9	Fall	£1,238.00	10	Struck by a window	£2,035.00	11	Fall	£0	12	Fall	£0	13	Fall	£1,700.00	14	Item dropped on toe	
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Media	10767	26/09/2011	24/10/2011	Parking & Car Parks	<p>Subject: Car park revenue</p> <p>1) Which council run car park in your council area achieved the highest income in the last financial year?</p> <p>- Please give the name and address of the car park</p> <p>- What the total income from it was to the council last year</p> <p>- How many parking spaces are in that car park?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1a) Shaftesbury Car Park (entrance off Shaftesbury Road), Upton Park.</p> <p>b) The approximate revenue earned from Shaftesbury Car Park for the period 01/01/2010 to 31/12/2010 was £144,734.50.</p> <p>c) There are 150 parking spaces in total.</p>
Organisation	10764	26/09/2011	24/10/2011	Human Resources	<p>Subject: Social Workers</p> <p>How many Social Workers (SW) employed or contracted to the LA are not properly registered with the GSCC as working in the LA's own area?</p> <p>I.E. they are registered but in a different area.</p> <p>What is the LA policy for addressing the issue of SWs not being properly registered as above as they are required to given that:</p> <p>1. All SW Registrations are public on the GSCC Website.</p> <p>2. It is a requirement to be registered in the Area they work.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>All LBN Adults social workers are properly registered with the GSCC. The Council has a unique identifying number that protects against duplicate registration. Should we establish that a Social Worker is not properly registered, the process is that immediate action would be taken to remove them from social worker duties and progress an investigation, with a view to triggering the Council's conduct procedure. The employee would also be also advised that they would be unable to use the protected title of 'social worker' until such time as</p>

					<p>3. It is not proper within the rules to be working as a SW without being properly registered.</p> <p>4. Whilst SW registration is the responsibility of the SW and not the LA, the LA is responsible for ensuring that is employees SW that are able to lawfully do the work as their agent.</p> <p>5. There can be two or more people with the same name.</p> <p>6. Any person contacted by a SW is able to check registrations online.</p> <p>7.It is a fact that police, Gov & LA advice is that if the identity of the person you are dealing with cannot be confirmed then do not have dealings with them and especially do not let them into your home or give them personal information.</p> <p>8. Any person checking a SW who is not properly registered should have cause for concern in regard to any of the above.</p>	GSCC registration is completed
Public	10757	26/09/2011	24/10/2011	Buildings and Facilities Management	<p>Subject: Security at Dockside</p> <p>I would like to know if the security people at Dockside, (Newham council office building), keep records of ejecting, removing or escorting people from the building for the last two years</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Building security have not been involved in any ejecting, removing or escorting of people from Newham Dockside in the period stated.</p>
Organisation	10779	27/09/2011	25/10/2011	Pensions	<p>Subject: Staff pensions</p> <p>1.The total amount paid in employer’s contributions to staff pension schemes in the financial year 2009-10, not including staff in schools and the fire service. “Employer’s contributions” should include all payments to the scheme, including added years benefit and unfunded payments.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. £42,15 Million. 2. £37,11 Million. 3. 2009/2010 - 26. 2010/2011 – 31. 4. The deficit for 2009, 2010 and 2011 is as per the 2007 triennial valuation which showed a deficit of £243.7 Million.</p>

					<p>2.The total amount paid in employer's contributions to staff pension schemes in the financial year 2010-11, not including staff in schools and the fire service. "Employer's contributions" should include all payments to the scheme, including added years benefit and unfunded payments.</p> <p>3.How many serving councillors are members of the pension scheme for each of the financial years 2009-10 and 2010-11?</p> <p>4.The deficit of the pension scheme on each of the following days: 1st April 2009, 1st April 2010, and 1st April 2011.</p>	
Public	10774	27/09/2011	25/10/2011	Corporate Contracts	<p>Subject: Contracts register</p> <p>I would like to request a copy of your current contracts register detailing all current live contracts. I am therefore writing to make an open government request for information to which I am entitled to under the Freedom of Information Act.</p> <p>I understand that your contracts register contains details of your current contracts including start date, end date, contract value and winning supplier. I would be grateful if I could receive your contracts register in an editable format, preferably in a CSV or excel file.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.Please see the attached spreadsheet.</p> <p>Please note that in future you can obtain information about the Council's contracts and tenders at:</p> <p>http://nectr.newham.gov.uk/suppliersefvice/pages/public/publicBulletinSearch.cmd</p>
Media	10788	27/09/2011	25/10/2011	Housing Options Centre	<p>Subject: Homelessness</p> <p>I would like to please make a request for</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. September 2010- 276, September</p>

				<p>information from your council under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding homelessness and those people identified by the council as being at risk of losing their homes (e.g.: those fighting a losing battle to pay their rent/mortgage or those who may be forced out of their homes for other reasons):</p> <p>1.How many residents in your council area have been identified by the council as currently being "at risk" of losing their homes? (e.g.: those in housing difficulty who have contacted the council for assistance in any of the above situations and those identified by the council as being at risk of becoming homeless), comparing figures September 2010 and September 2011.</p> <p>2.Can you provide a breakdown of these residents by their tenure (privately renting, council tenants, private homeowners)?</p> <p>3.Can you provide a breakdown of the reasons given by households in need of advice or assistance (e.g.: redundancy, family breakdown, domestic violence, financial difficulty etc)?</p> <p>4.Does your council have an accurate figure or estimate for the number of people in the council area currently sleeping rough, as at your last rough sleeping count?</p> <p>5.Does your council have an accurate figure or estimate for the number of people placed by the council and currently living in temporary accommodation? Comparing figures for September 2010 and September 2011.</p> <p>6.What is the council's total budget for homelessness services in the 2011/12 financial year, and how does this compare to the budget for 2009/10 and 2010/11?</p>	<p>2011- 270.</p> <p>2. The Authority does not hold the information. Furthermore, there is no requirement to collect it.</p> <p>3. Main reasons for approach are - Family/ Relationship breakdown, Loss of AST/ S21, Domestic Violence and disrepair in private sector.</p> <p>4.9</p> <p>5. 2710 , 2375.</p> <p>6. The homeless service falls under Housing and Public Protection directorate which deals with all aspects of housing management services. Therefore, there is no individual budget for homelessness. Nevertheless, you can view the breakdown the Housing and Public Protection expenditure in the Council's Budget Book via the following link: http://www.newham.gov.uk/YourCouncil/FinancialManagementAccountancyAndPensions/BudgetBook.htm</p> <p>7.The council like other local authorities is having to address significant budget shortfall due to reduced funding from central government. This will inevitably affect all service areas in due course.</p>
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					7.Has the council been forced to scale back its homelessness services/provision due to budget cuts in the past year?	
Public	10778	27/09/2011	25/10/2011	Highway Maintenance	<p>Subject: Road Gritting</p> <p>I would be grateful if you could provide me with the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How many gritting vehicles does the council have at its disposal and how many tonnes of salt and grit are held? 2. At what temperature forecast are the council's gritting resources deployed? 3. Has the forecast temperature which triggers deployment of gritting resources changed in the last three years or is it planned to change it? If so, please provide details of the trigger temperature change and date of implementation. 	<p>Summary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.The Council has 3 gritters at its disposal for this winter season. We currently have 2,000 tonnes of salt in stock. 2.The "road surface temperatures" at which precautionary gritting is undertaken is as contained in our Policy / Specification Document. This is available on the Council's website: http://www.newham.gov.uk/ParkingAndTransport/GrittingAndSnowClearance/WhatWeDo.htm 3.The Met Office statistics are showing a rise in overall temperatures if 2-3C, which is unprecedented. However this leads to greater "extremes" in temperatures, and therefore long-term forecasts of more than a week or so are not reliable. We have 5 forecasts a day, and plan from these forecasts.
Public	10517	30/08/2011	26/10/2011	ICT	<p>Subject: Maintenance contract for ICT system</p> <p>Further to FOI E9727:</p> <p>Can you please send me the maintenance contracts for the systems?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Please see the attached contract. However, please note that the information listed below is exempt from disclosure under section 43(2) of the Act.

						<p>The London Borough of Newham will not disclose information which would prejudice its or a third party company commercial interests. Section 43 is a qualified exemption therefore we have to consider the public interest in disclosure. We acknowledge that the public interest is served by promoting transparency by public authorities for decisions taken by them so that individuals and companies can understand the basis of those decisions and, in some cases, assisting individuals in challenging them. However, in this instance, we consider that there is a greater public interest in protecting the confidentiality of commercially sensitive information, which could, if disclosed, damage the interest of the local authority and the company concerned. Therefore, we have decided that in this case the public interest lies in favour of withholding some parts of the requested information.</p> <p>1.The service specification 2.Design information on the service 2e2 provide 3.Support SLA information 4.Pricing Schedule 5.Contract liability level</p>
Media	10789	28/09/2011	26/10/2011	Corporate Income and Debt Recovery	<p>Subject: Written off debt</p> <p>Please provide a breakdown of the amount written off by the council in unpaid debts over the following three financial years: 2008/9; 2009/10;</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1 a) Council Tax 2008/09 £121,588.15</p>

					<p>2010/2011</p> <p>Please provide this broken down for each year by type of debt: including council tax, business rates, parking fines, overpaid benefits</p>	<p>2009/10 £78,955.59 2010/11 £24,851.66</p> <p>b) Parking</p> <p>2008/09 £166,900 2009/10 £2,451,523 2010/11 £519,126</p> <p>c) Business Rates</p> <p>2008/09 £377,979.08 2009/10 £611,218.87 2010/11 £2,563,697.74</p> <p>d) Overpaid Benefits</p> <p>2008/09 £675,746.20 2009/10 £491,992.49 2010/11 £1,320,268.72</p> <p>Please note that the council makes every effort to maximise its income, debts are only written off where recovery action has been exhausted or where the debtor has absconded and unable to be located.</p>
Public	10793	29/09/2011	26/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Penalty Charge Notices issued on Lavender Street</p> <p>Please tell me the number of parking Penalty Charge Notices issued on Lavender Street, Stratford, E15 over the last full year. Please tell me the number of parking Penalty Charge Notices issued on Salway Road, Stratford, E15 over the same time period.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Please see below figure for PCNs issued for the period 30/09/2010 - 29/09/2011:</p> <p>1) 37 2) 1671</p>

Public	10795	29/09/2011	26/10/2011	Human Resources	<p>Subject: Newham employed Gay African Americans.</p> <p>Can I please find out whether Newham employed Gay African Americans.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The London Borough of Newham is an equal opportunity employer. Please find attached our Equality and Diversity Policy.</p> <p>African American is not one of the monitoring categories that the Council uses.</p> <p>However, we do use the following monitoring categories for the below minority ethnic groups (which are relevant to your request) and can provide the following information for people currently employed by Newham Council:</p> <table data-bbox="1691 798 2116 1165"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Ethnic Origin</th> <th>Bisexual Gay Man</th> <th>Gay woman/lesbian</th> <th>Grand Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>African</td> <td>11</td> <td>2</td> <td>1</td> <td>14</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Caribbean</td> <td>5</td> <td>2</td> <td>3</td> <td>10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White & Black African</td> <td>2</td> <td>5</td> <td></td> <td>7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>White & Black Caribbean</td> <td>2</td> <td>4</td> <td>1</td> <td>7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Grand Total</td> <td>20</td> <td>14</td> <td>9</td> <td>43</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>It is important to note that the proportion of employees who have recorded their sexual orientation is not representative enough to make any meaningful comparisons or conclusions.</p>		Ethnic Origin	Bisexual Gay Man	Gay woman/lesbian	Grand Total	African	11	2	1	14	Caribbean	5	2	3	10	White & Black African	2	5		7	White & Black Caribbean	2	4	1	7	Grand Total	20	14	9	43
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Political	10803	30/09/2011	27/10/2011	Information Governance (DP, FOI, EIR & RM)	<p>Subject: How many FOIs have been responded to by Newham Council</p> <p>1. In the year (a) 2009/10 (b) 2010/11 how many Freedom of Information requests were responded to by your organisation?</p> <p>2. In the year (a) 2009/10 (b) 2010/11 how many Freedom of Information requests which were responded to by your organisation were provided in any language other than English?</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>The information below has been provided for calendar years.</p> <p>1. See table below:</p> <p>2009 962 2010 1,179 2011 (between January-June)725</p> <p>2. All responses were provided in English.</p>
Public	10807	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Parking Design	<p>Subject: Footway parking</p> <p>I would like any and all documents relating to the decision to enforce footway parking on Romford Rd E12, between Woodgrange park station and Carlton Rd.</p> <p>Including the original authorisation document. Along with the date of when this decision was implemented. I would also like to know who owns the camera on the corner of Romford Rd and the junction of Carlton Rd and finally how many pcn's have been issued on the road for doorway parking.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.The London wide ban on footway parking is set out in Section 15 of the Greater London Council (General Powers) Act, 1974 and is enforced under the provisions of the Traffic Management Act 2004. Please visit the link below for the Dawood v PATAS, Royal Courts of Justice decision.</p> <p>http://webcache.googleusercontent.com/searchq=cache:sb8IpBsfkBcJ:keycases.parkingandtrafficappeals.gov.uk/docs/Dawood%2520Footway%2520Parking%2520Sedley%2520LJ%2520permission%2520refused.rtf+Case+No:+C1/2009/1313&cd=1&hl=en&ct=clnk&gl=uk</p> <p>2.All Penalty Charges Notices relating to</p>

						the footway are issued under contravention code 62. There is no distinct classification for "private forecourt" or "public footway" for PCNs. With regard to the camera situated on the corner of Romford Rd and the junction of Carlton Rd, we can confirm that it was installed by TfL and is currently maintained by them. Shared use of this camera has been agreed by TfL for use by Newham Council for Parking and Bus Lane contraventions.
Public	10808	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	CYPS - Corporate Parenting	<p>Subject: Children in residential care and for SEN</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What the council pays to its own residential units, in terms of fees, per child per week. 2. What the council pays to private residential units, fees, per child per week. 3. What are the fees paid to private units for children with SEN 4. With regard to Q3, and fees, what is the range of the children's SEN. 5. Does your council have a fee paying framework with regard to fees paid in relation to needs, age, etc. 6. If the answer is yes to Q4, please can this be provided? 7. Ages, that you consider placing children in residential care. 8. What are the considerations or framework, in terms of priority in placing a child in residential (Educational Provision, Placement, Location, Etc). 9. What are the fees paid to independent 	<p>Summary:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Council does not have an in-house residential provision. 2. The Council pays on average £2796 per child per week. 3. Please see above answer to Q2. 4. The Council pays on average £3394 per child per week. The fee paid to private units for children with SEN ranges between £1600 - £5600. The Council pays on average £3394 per child per week 5. Yes, in relation to age. The figures below represent the maintenance element of payments to our foster careers by age of child in placement per week. 6. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 0-4 - £140.94 5-10 - £160.68 11-15 - £200.08 16+ - £243.00

					<p>residential units in terms of respite and short breaks?</p> <p>10. What is the furthest distance you place children in you care?</p> <p>11. Does the council pay additional costs for education with regard to the child placed in residential care.</p> <p>12. If YES what are they for mainstream education?</p> <p>13. If YES what are they for SEN education?</p> <p>14. Does the council have a payment framework for this?</p>	<p>7. We do not have a formal upper or lower age limit for considering residential care. Placement decisions are informed by the assessed needs of the child.</p> <p>8. As above, placement decisions are informed by the assessed needs of the child.</p> <p>9. Unless individually negotiated the short break/respite fee would be the standard agency weekly fee.</p> <p>10. Placement decisions are informed by the assessed needs of the child. In the past 12 months the furthest we have placed a child is in Northumberland. This was for a fixed and time limited period reflecting assessment of a specific need.</p> <p>11. If the child is placed within a residential school then the Council would pay for the care and education of that child.</p> <p>12. We are unable to provide a figure as this would vary based on the hours of support provided.</p> <p>13. Please see above answer to Q12.</p> <p>14. No.</p>
Public	10811	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Parking Fines	<p>Subject: Parking Fines issued in Lavender Street</p> <p>How many parking tickets have been issued in Lavender Street in the last 12 months.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>37 PCNs were issued in Lavender Street for the period 04/10/2010 - 03/10/2011.</p>
Public	10816	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Highway Records	<p>Subject: Municipal Clocks in the London Borough of Newham</p>	<p>Summary:</p>

					<p>1. How many clocks does the Council have responsibility for, i.e. how many are owned by the Council [I refer to external clocks that are viewable by the public, not small timepieces in offices for example]</p> <p>2. Please provide a list of said clocks with names (if they have them) and location [street]</p> <p>3. Of those clocks, how many are currently in working order</p> <p>4. Of those clocks that are working, how many tell the correct time</p> <p>5. The annual cost of maintaining the Council's municipal clocks</p>	<p>1. The Council has responsibility of eight clocks viewable by the public.</p> <p>2. Please see below list of clocks and locations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maryland Point Spiral Clock in Leytonstone Road • Forest Gate Horse Trough Clock in Forest Lane • Green Street Arch Clock • East Ham Town Hall • All Saints Church--West Ham • Custom House Library -- Canning Town • Plashet Grove Registry Office • St John's Church--Stratford <p>3. All of the above clocks are currently in working order.</p> <p>4. All clocks tell the correct time.</p> <p>5. All clocks are serviced annually to ensure they are in good working order. The total cost of maintaining the above clocks is £6,762.00.</p>
Staff	10818	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	CYPS - Learning Transformation	<p>Subject: Children with autism spectrum disorder</p> <p>1. What percentage of Newham children have an autism spectrum disorder?</p> <p>2. What proportion are educated:</p> <p>i) in a special school;</p> <p>ii) in a special school not in Newham;</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.440 pupils - 0.83% (School census 2011)</p> <p>2.</p> <p>i)20</p> <p>ii)32, including looked after children residing outside Newham.</p>

					<p>iii) in a residential setting; iv) in a mainstream school with an autism unit; v) in mainstream school with funding for one-to-one support; vi) with no additional funding but with support from a specialist team; vii) educated at home or in some other alternative way</p>	<p>iii)7 including looked after children residing outside Newham iv)97 v)Pupils are not funded for 1:1 support but there are schools where the school is given top up funding to provide packages of support to pupils. This involved 245 pupils (April 2011) vi)Not applicable – the system for accessing support from specialist teams is not based on children having/not additional funding. vii)2</p>
Organisation	10817	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Finance	<p>Subject: Research into financial performance of Local Authorities</p> <p>1. For the financial year 2011/12 what are your planned savings in expenditure relative to the previous financial year? (Please give your answer in cash terms) 2. For the financial year 2011/12 how much of these savings (in cash terms) would you describe as efficiency savings (i.e. savings that do not impact on frontline service delivery or involve charging customers more for existing services)? 3. Using your most recent financial outturn data for the financial year 2011/12, what is your projected under/over spend relative to your budget for the year? What is the reason for this? 4. If the actual savings projected for the financial year 2011/12 fall short of planned savings, could you describe how you intend to fill this shortfall? 5. Could you briefly describe the systems you have in place for monitoring your financial performance through the year and how under/over</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1.Pages 5 and 6 of the Councils Budget Book for 2011/12 outline the savings position for 2011/12. This public document can be found at http://www.newham.gov.uk/YourCouncil/FinancialManagementAccountancyAndPensions/BudgetBook.htm http://www.newham.gov.uk/YourCouncil/FinancialManagementAccountancyAndPensions/BudgetBook.htm</p> <p>2. Savings are predominantly being delivered via transformational change which affects the organisation as a whole. To evaluate the exact split of frontline / non-frontline savings and charging would take a considerable amount of time. To obtain this breakdown of information would require an officer to manually look into various</p>

					<p>spends are dealt with?</p> <p>6. For the financial years 2012/13 and 2013/14 what are your planned savings in expenditure in cash terms relative to the previous financial years?</p>	<p>records across the Council and his would exceed the appropriate time limit.</p> <p>Under the Freedom of Information Act the Council has a right to refuse a request for information held if the cost of complying with a request exceeds the appropriate limit. The appropriate limit for local authorities is £450 or 2.5 days or 18 hours. We believe in this case such an exemption applies and have decided to refuse your request for information under section 12(1) of the Act.</p> <p>3. The council is currently forecasting to deliver to budget.</p> <p>4. The budget is monitored constantly through a vigorous corporate process. Service Managers are required to immediately highlight any forecast deviations and management action plans are required to be put in place to mitigate any variance. Any risks arising outside the control of services - such as a change in legislation or political decision - would have to be considered by the Chief Executive and Executive Directors with relevant action arising.</p> <p>5. There is an electronic financial management system available to all budget holders. The corporate budget monitoring process includes central collation of all service and central financial management information. We</p>
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						<p>operate a financial risks register which is a tool for horizon scanning and risk management. The Councils Governance arrangements for financial management include review by the Chief Finance Officer & Chief Executive, Executive Board Audit Board and Mayoral Overview & Scrutiny Committee.</p> <p>6.The council is currently in the process of setting a new Medium Term Financial Strategy for the whole organisation. The total savings for 2012/13 and 2013/14 have not yet been finalised so we are not currently in a position to confirm the amounts.</p>
Organisation	10809	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Procurement Team	<p>Subject: Contract for Insurance</p> <p>We would like to request details on the contract(s) for insurance awarded by your Council, as the OJEU contract notice or award notice lacks some information or we would like to confirm the information is still correct.</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>Awarded to:</p> <p>Lot 1 - RMP Lot 2a - Aspen Lot 2b - Zurich Municipal Lot 3 - Zurich Municipal Lot 4 - RMP Lot 5 - RSA Lot 6 - Zurich Municipal.</p> <p>Overall Value including VAT £15 million.</p>
Business	10810	03/10/2011	31/10/2011	Adult Services (FOI)	<p>Subject: Accessing rights</p> <p>1) Could you please let me know under the right</p>	<p>Summary:</p> <p>1. Anybody over 18 who is eligible for</p>

					<p>to control programme how many people accessing their Rights in Newham.</p> <p>2)How many people in general signed up for Right to control</p> <p>3) How many people signed up for Access to work in Newham?</p>	<p>works streams funded under Right to Control has a legal right to access. The first step is for them to be informed of their rights, following identification of their eligibility for a Right to Control programme.</p> <p>2. A total of 1092 service users in Newham are using directly commissioned services and 384 are in receipt of direct payments.</p> <p>3. A total of 26 people have been referred to Access to Work and 20 have completed work support plans.</p>
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