

## Berneslai Homes - Freedom of Information 2024-2025: Lettings

582	03/05/2024	<b>How many vacant council homes, including void properties do you currently have to date?</b>
		323 (as of 23.04.2024)
		<b>How many of these properties have been vacant for longer than 3 months?</b>
		222 (as of 23.04.2024)
		<b>How many of these properties have been vacant for longer than 6 months?</b>
		134 (as of 23.04.2024)
		<b>How many of these properties have been vacant for longer than 1 year?</b>
		30 (as of 23.04.2024)
		<b>How many people do you currently have to date on your current council housing waiting list?</b>
		5765 (as of 31.03.2024)
		<b>How many homeless families and or individuals have you received from London boroughs</b>
None (information provided by Barnsley Council)		
<b>How many homeless families and or individuals have you received from London boroughs (out of area rehousing) in the last 5 years (2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023)</b>		
None (information provided by Barnsley Council)		
<b>2.C How many people that declared themselves homeless to your council in the last year, were not deemed a priority need and therefore were not accepted onto your council housing waiting list?</b>		
The Council does not restrict people from joining the waiting list because they are not in priority need. Eligibility criteria to join the waiting list is publicly available here: <a href="https://www.berneslaihomes.co.uk/media/liiljher/lettings-policy-april-2024.pdf">https://www.berneslaihomes.co.uk/media/liiljher/lettings-policy-april-2024.pdf</a> (information provided by Barnsley Council)		

589	21/05/2024	<b>Could you please tell me why so many houses are being left empty in Lundwood?</b>
		As of 08/05/2024 there are 2 empty council properties in Lundwood. There are a further 2 properties “on notice” and will become empty in the next month. The properties currently empty are undergoing repair work prior to being relet and will be offered by the Choice Based Lettings system when ready.
		<b>Could you please tell me why Barnsley people on the housing register are not being placed in these homes?</b>
		These homes will be let via the Choice Based Lettings system to people on the waiting list. As we have had some delays to repair works on empty homes we typically do not offer properties until we have a good estimation of the date it will be ready for occupation, this is the same for all areas of Barnsley.
		<b>Barnsley has an extensive housing list, could I see the refusals of Barnsley people rejecting these properties?</b>
		Of these properties in Lundwood none have been refused.

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**Could I have the number of Barnsley residents waiting to be housed?**

As of 08/05/24 there were 5,775 on the waiting list, 5,330 of these from Barnsley and 445 from outside Barnsley with an assessed local connection.

**602 14/06/2024 1. Total Number of Homes: The total number of residential properties for which the Council holds the leasehold from 2016 to the present.**

Financial Year	No. properties	Annual Revenue (£)
2015-16	309	19578.95
2016-17	315	32813.91
2017-18	329	46176.39
2018-19	335	42312.35
2019-20	340	43137.09
2020-21	339	36927.38
2021-22	345	59959.35
2022-23	348	45675.35
2023-24	350	68111.61

**609 21/06/2024 • What is the waiting list for social housing in your Local Authority for each financial year since 2015/16?**

Year	Social housing waiting list length
2015/16	6884
2016/17	6759
2017/18	6821
2018/19	7232
2019/20	8181
2020/21	7400
2021/22	8329
2022/23	9779
2023/24	5765

**• What is the longest time (in days) that someone has been on your social housing waiting list as it stands?**

As of 12/06/2024 the longest length of time spent on the housing waiting list is 11,714 days.

**• What is your net loss or gain of the number of social homes in your Local Authority for each financial year since 2015/16?**

Year	Net loss / gain of social homes
2015/16	-102
2016/17	-114
2017/18	-111
2018/19	-107
2019/20	-71

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	2020/21	-65
	2021/22	-169
	2022/23	-99
	2023/24	-87

620	12/07/2024	<p><b>How many bungalows unallocated or empty throughout the borough?</b></p> <p>As of 03/07/24 Berneslai Homes have 102 bungalows which are empty (including those under offer and those empty but not allocated).</p>
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632	08/08/2024	<p><b>Number of vacant homes:</b></p> <p>As of 24/07/24 Berneslai Homes had a total of 396 empty council properties.</p>																						
		<p><b>Reasons for vacancy:</b></p> <p>Of our 396 vacant properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-69 are on offer to applicants,</li> <li>-21 are decant properties,</li> <li>-306 are awaiting void completion (routine void work, major works, and adaptations)</li> </ul>																						
		<p><b>Waiting list size:</b></p> <p>As of 24/07/24 Berneslai Homes had 5720 Applicants on the waiting list.</p>																						
		<p><b>Waiting list length:</b></p> <p>We have provided an average for available data from 2015/16 to 2023/24 financial years for the number of people on our waiting list, as no timeframe has been provided to otherwise calculate an average for our waiting list.</p>																						
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650	23/08/2024	<b>“The Areas of Temporary Housing Accommodations in Barnsley”</b> We cannot disclose their localities due to the risk that Berneslai Homes could endanger the life of a resident if we revealed the locations of such properties. Under the Freedom of Information Act of 2000, we have therefore applied Exemption Section 38, which provides an exemption from disclosing information held, that if doing so would or would be likely to endanger the physical or
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