

# Campaigning to remove asbestos from **public buildings**

## An update on the ongoing risk

In FY 2022/23, asbestos was removed from 258 public buildings across the UK's 20 largest councils.

More than £1 million was spent on removing the hazardous substance from the 4,500 schools, museums, community centres, leisure facilities, and others, that contained it. Only 291 removals were made in the previous five years. More still needs to be done.

**Read our update and access our report:**



Whilst we welcome the councils' recent efforts, there are still far too many buildings containing asbestos which, once disturbed or in need of repair, can become highly dangerous.

We're therefore renewing our call to the Government to do more to keep people safe.



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Council	Buildings previously reported with asbestos	Buildings with asbestos removed in FY 2022/23
Barnet	51	1
Birmingham	No data	7
BCP	1,001	18
Bradford	238	4
Bristol	No data	49*
Buckinghamshire	712	25
Cardiff	277	19
Cheshire East	114	2
Cornwall	199	No data
Croydon	108	0
Durham	368	No data
Edinburgh	235	No data
Glasgow	No data	No data
Kent	394	56
Kirklees	254	38
Leeds	No data	14
Liverpool	123	No data
Manchester	93	5
Sheffield	174	2
Wiltshire	194	54

\*(activities carried out in relation to asbestos presence)