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Dear Sir/Madam.

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: REQ06947**

Thank you for your request for information relating to children in custody accommodated by Local Authority 2019.

You have requested the following information:

**Please provide us with the following information for the year 2019:**

**1. Do you have system for recording the number of children you are asked to accommodate by the police?**

Yes.

**2. Have you created a local protocol in line with the concordat? If yes, could you provide a copy?**

The National Protocol has been used to inform a West Midlands draft procedural version which is under consideration by DCS. Once agreed this would be available.

**3. How many times were you contacted by the police and asked to provide accommodation under section 38 PACE/section 21 Children Act 2004?**

25 requests were received by Coventry Youth Offending Service.

**4. Can you provide a breakdown of those requests by age and ethnicity of the child if you have them?**

One - 12 year old.  
Two - 13 Year olds.  
Three - 15 year olds.  
Eight - 16 year olds.  
Eleven - 17 year olds.

Ethnicity information is not retained, and we therefore are advising you as per Section 1(1) of the Act.

**5. How many of those requests were for secure accommodation and how many for non-secure accommodation?**

20 requests for secure and 5 open.

**6. How many times did you accommodate a child under S.38 PACE 1984 and Section 21 Children Act 1989 when they were transferred from police accommodation?**

We can confirm that there was 1 remand to the Local Authority for the year 2019.

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Yours sincerely

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