



Information Governance

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI319617556**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Looked after children in unregulated accommodation.

Your request and our responses are shown below:

Between the 6th January 2019 and 9th December 2020 (703 days):

1. How many looked after children Under 18 who you have placed in unregulated and/or unregistered accommodation for any time period anywhere in the United Kingdom, have you received a safeguarding concern about during the time frame above?

A total of 17 looked after children under 18 who were placed in unregulated accommodation (supported accommodation) between 06/01/19 – 09/12/20 were the subject of a Contact during their placement.

2. Please provide the following information in a redacted format where necessary, the type of safeguarding concern as defined by the list in the guidance notes (below)

Where your request safeguarding categories match with our presenting issues, the number of children were as follows:

Bullying and cyberbullying*

Child sexual exploitation - None
Domestic abuse - None
Female genital mutilation - None
Grooming*
Neglect - None
Non-recent abuse*
Online abuse*
Physical abuse - 1
Child trafficking - 3
Emotional abuse - 1
Sexual Abuse - None

*For the categories of Bullying and Cyberbullying, Grooming, Non-recent abuse and Online abuse, we hold the information which you have asked for but we have estimated that the cost of meeting this part of your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We have no specific categories to identify this and therefore a manual trawl of the children's records will be necessary. Due to the high volume of records held, this piece of work would exceed the time limit for this FOI. This part of your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

3. Please provide age sex and gender and ethnicity of each person. If it would help to protect identity I would be happy to receive the information in a manner that is blind to the ethnicity the child.

See below - Age At Contact and Gender Ethnicity

15: Male Any other ethnic group
16: Male African
16: Male African
16: Male African
16: Male Any other Asian background
16: Male Any other Asian background
16: Male Any other ethnic group
16: Male Any other White background
16: Female White British
17: Male African
17: Male African
17: Male African
17: Male Any other Asian background
17: Male Any other Asian background
17: Male Any other Asian background
17: Male Any other Asian background
17: Male White British

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If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request – email: infogov@coventry.gov.uk.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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