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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI329201719

Thank you for your request for information relating to referrals to the MASH Team.

You have requested the following information:

1. Please confirm the total number of referrals your Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub has received in the following financial years which involved an allegation of peer on peer sexual abuse among children under 18:

- a. 2017/18
- b. 2018/19
- c. 2019/20
- d. 2020/21

2. Please confirm the total number of referrals your Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub has received in the following financial years which involved an allegation of peer on peer sexual abuse among children under 18 that occurred on any school or college premises:

- a. 2017/18
- b. 2018/19
- c. 2019/20
- d. 2020/21

3. Please confirm the total number of referrals your Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub has received in the following financial years which involved an allegation of peer on peer sexual abuse among children aged 10 and under:

- a. 2017/18
- b. 2018/19
- c. 2019/20
- d. 2020/21

4. Please confirm the total number of referrals your Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub has received in the following financial years which involved an allegation of peer on peer sexual abuse among children aged 10 and under that occurred on any school premises.

- a. 2017/18
- b. 2018/19
- c. 2019/20
- d. 2020/21

We hold the information which you have asked for but we have estimated that the cost of meeting 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 advise that the information is not held in a report format as the information asked for is not a presenting issue. To answer your request, we will need to perform a manual trawl of case records for the contacts that come into the Council's MASH team, to identify and collate the information. To illustrate, the MASH receives approximately 2,000 contacts per month and therefore checking 24,000 contact a year will exceed the 18 hour limit.

Your request has therefore been refused under Section 12(2) of the Act.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: [FOI/EIR Disclosure Log](#) , [Publication Scheme](#) , [Facts about Coventry](#) and [Open Data](#) that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

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

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email icocasework@ico.org.uk.

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

Yours faithfully

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