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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI354467052

Thank you for your request for information relating to Looked After Children placed with family members outside of the United Kingdom.

You have requested the following information:

1. The total number of Looked After Children under your local authority care, where family members outside the United Kingdom were explored* for each calendar year between January 2018 and December 2020 inclusive.

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.

This data is not held in a reportable format. To identify and collate the data, an officer will need to perform a manual trawl of at least 742 files. We estimate it would take approximately 20 minutes per file to extract the data taking the total time over 18 hours. This part of your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

2. The number of Looked After Children under your local authority care that were placed outside the United Kingdom for each calendar year between January 2018 and December 2020 inclusive.

None.

3. The number and type of placement orders used for placing Looked After Children from your local authority care with family members outside the United Kingdom for each calendar year between January 2018 and December 2020 inclusive.

Not applicable.

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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

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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