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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI531704474

Thank you for your request for information relating to Children Taken Into Care.

You have requested the following information:

1. How many children started to be Looked After during each of the financial years detailed in the attached spreadsheet, broken down by the designated age groups in the attached spreadsheet, and their gender identity (Male, Female or Transgender)?

Following careful consideration, the information you requested falls under the exemption(s) in Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which relates to 'information reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.'

The exemption applies as the information is published and publicly available to view by accessing the Department of Education's website, please use the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-looked-after-children>

This information is collected by the government in our Children Looked After statutory return and should be available through the above link. 2022/23 data will be published later in the year by the government.

2. Please provide the number of Looked After children to have taken their own lives (suicide) broken down by their gender identity for each of the following years? Please detail the type of placement at the time (children's home, unregulated supported accommodation,

foster care etc).

There are no 'Looked after children' recorded as having taken their own life (suicide) during this period of time.

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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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