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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Request ID: FOI557502193

Thank you for your request for information relating to Unregulated provision and children's homes costs.

You have requested the following information:

Under the FOIA 2000, please provide the following figures relating to a) the use of unregulated provision for Looked After Children and also b) the cost of Children's Home placements.

UNREGULATED PROVISION USE

1. What is the total number of Looked After Children (LAC) aged 16 and 17-years-old who are currently placed in unregulated provision? Please provide the number of these individuals in such provision at the point this request is answered. Registration became mandatory in October.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-bans-unregulated-accommodation-for-young-people-in-care#:~:text=The%20measures%20mean%20that%20from,homes%20with%20no%20meaning>

2. What is the total number of LAC under the age of 16-years-old who are currently placed in unregulated provision? Directors of Children's Services typically authorise this directly. Please also provide the age of the youngest child placed in such provision.

COST OF ALL LAC PLACEMENTS

3. What is the highest weekly cost paid to a provider in the period April 1st 2022 to date for an LAC placement in a children's home? Please provide any mitigating detail (e.g. 3-to-1 care) if you believe it to be relevant to the high cost.

4. What is the highest annual cost paid in the 2022/2023 financial year for an individual LAC's placement in children's home(s)? Please provide the total annual cost if the child has been placed in multiple placements.

I would be grateful if you could use the attached response template to provide your figures. If you represent multiple local authorities, please provide figures for all authorities with a breakdown for each one.

Please see your completed template.

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

Yours faithfully

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<p>48 - Active Registered Provision 44 - proposed registration (have a URN) 9 - Unregistered (have no URN in process of becoming registered)</p>	<p>2 Young People (1 home currently registering with Ofsted)</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>£18,000.00 (2:1) staffing due to medical needs of the child</p>	<p>£762,069</p>