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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI608808501

Thank you for your request for information relating to Number of Home Office children reassessed as adults.

You have requested the following information:

- 1. How many individuals assessed as being children (aged under 18) by the Home Office were referred to your children's services department.
- 2. Of those referred, how many individuals were subjected to another age assessment carried by your council's social workers?
- 3. Of those classified as children by the Home Office who faced another assessment, how many were subsequently assessed by your children's services department to be adults (over 18)?

Can we have this information for each year between 2021 to 2023. Can we also have a monthly breakdown for the period between January to March 2024.

In response to your request, we confirm 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 have estimated that due to the age assessments not being captured in a reportable format, it

would require our officers to undertake a manual trawl of all of our records to be able to locate and retrieve these assessments, which would take over 18.5 hours. Your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: <u>FOI/EIR Disclosure Log</u>, <u>Publication Scheme</u>, <u>Facts about Coventry</u> and <u>Open Data</u> 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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