

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) in relation to Childrens Homes:

Childrens Home Statistics

Please advise;

1. The number of registered Childrens Homes operated by the Local Authority as at 1st January 2019 and as at 1st January 2018;

Jan 2018 5 Jan 2019 5

2. The number of registered Childrens Homes operated by an Independent (private or voluntary) provider within your Local Authority as at 1st January 2019 and as at 1st January 2018;

Jan 2018 1 Jan 2019 1

LAC Statistics

Please advise;

3. The number of current looked after children (LAC);

297

4. The number of LAC currently placed within Local Authority Childrens homes;

15

5. The number of LAC currently placed within Independent Childrens homes;

17

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Framework & Non-Framework Providers & Fees

6. In relation to any Frameworks you currently operate with Independent Childrens Home Providers, please provide the following information (including Provider name) about the number of LAC placed with Independent Childrens Homes, the average weekly fee paid for these placements, per type specified and whether the fees include any discounts agreed with said Provider. Please also advise the **totals** for all placements in each type specified i.e. total average weekly fee & total no of CYP in placement.

Please use the example format below and return in an excel spreadsheet if possible:

Response

Average costs are not held by the Authority

Please note that some placements are a combination of multi-staffing/1:1/2:1 – they have been categorised for the purposes of this FOI based on the predominant staffing level.

Framework											
Name of Provider	Average weekly fee (multi- staffing)	Average weekly fee (1:1 staffing)	Average weekly fee (2:1 staffing)	Average weekly fee (solo)	Average weekly fee (other)	No of CYP in placement (multi-staffing)	No of CYP in placement (1:1 staffing)	No of CYP in placement (2:1 staffing)	placement	No of CYP in placement (other)	Discounts Agreed (type & %)
Appletree School						1					n/a
St Cuthbert's Care							1	1			n/a
Howard House						1			1		n/a
Pear Tree Projects						1					n/a
Pebbles Care							1				n/a
North East Autism Society							2	1			n/a

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Park Blue Homes						1		n/a
Total (of all placements)	£	£	£	£	£			

7. As per question 6, please provide the same information; however, this time in relation to Non-Framework Providers i.e. where the Local Authority (LA) has placed with Independent Childrens Home Providers using a Spot Purchase mechanism because the Provider is not on a Framework with the LA. Please also advise the **totals** for all placements in each type specified i.e. total average weekly fee & total no of CYP in placement.

Please use the example format below and return in an excel spreadsheet if possible:

Spot Purchase (non-framework)											
Name of Provider	Average weekly fee (multi- staffing)	Average weekly fee (1:1 staffing)	Average weekly fee (2:1 staffing)	Average weekly fee (solo)	Average weekly fee (other)	No of CYP in placement (multi-staffing)	No of CYP in placement (1:1 staffing)	No of CYP in placement (2:1 staffing)	placement	No of CYP in placement (other)	Discounts Agreed (type & %)
Priory						1	1				n/a
Group						_	1				11, 4
Good											
Shepherd						1					n/a
Centre											
Hexagon						1					n/a
Care											11/ α
Keys Group							1				n/a
Witherslack						1					n/a
Josh's Place						1					n/a
Total (of all placements)	£	£	£	£	£						

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