



Freedom of Information Request FOI1380

Request:

Which agencies or organisations are a part of your regional adoption agency (RAA)?

When was your regional adoption agency formed or when is it expected to be formed?

What is your RAA called?

How are your services and responsibilities currently divided amongst the RAA?

Is your RAA also including responsibility for SGOs and what is the rationale behind this?

What targets has your RAA set?

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Response:

Which agencies or organisations are a part of your regional adoption agency (RAA)? **North Tyneside Council, South Tyneside Council, Gateshead Council, Newcastle City Council, Northumberland County Council**

When was your regional adoption agency formed or when is it expected to be formed? **01/12/2018**

What is your RAA called? **Adopt North East**

How are your services and responsibilities currently divided amongst the RAA? **The RAA offers the following service:**

- Adopter Recruitment
- Adoption Support
- Inter Country Adoption
- Matching and Family Finding
- Direct and Indirect Contact Arrangement
- Access to records for adults who were adopted
- Counselling for Birth Family Members affected by adoption

Is your RAA also including responsibility for SGOs and what is the rationale behind this? **No. The decision was taken not to transfer SGO accountabilities to the RAA given the varying strategic fit within the partner LAs.**

What targets has your RAA set? **Total Number of Adopters Recruited**