



Reference: FOI0659

Request:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), for a copy of the documents containing the following information:

1. Details of the lowest, highest and average weekly rates agreed with and charged by external suppliers of independent registered children's residential care services for the current year (2018/2019).

Link to the cabinet Report to provide answer to question 1

<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/meeting/related-documents/5ai%20Financial%20Management%20Report%20to%2030%20November%202018%20Anne>

2. Percentage increase in weekly rates charged by independent children's residential care providers which were awarded, compared to the previous year's levels.

Link to cabinet report to answer question 2

<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/sites/default/files/meeting/related-documents/5ai%20Financial%20Management%20Report%20to%2030%20November%202018%20Anne>

3. The number of looked after children in residential care as at 31 March 2018 and of those children, the percentage looked after by independent residential care providers

28 children in residential care at 31st March 2018. 12 of them were not provided by the Local Authority, a rate of 42.9%.