

Reference: RFI 1708060

Request:

I would be grateful if you would supply the following information, please, relating to your authority's Leaving Care team.

1. What was the budget for your authority's Leaving Care team for each of these financial years: 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17?

| Year | Net Budget £ |
|---------|--------------|
| 2014/15 | 1,465,630 |
| 2015/16 | 1,465,866 |
| 2016/17 | 1,416,534 |

2. How many Personal Adviser FTE and PTE posts were there for each of the three above financial years?

2014/15 – 5.5 Social Worker posts incorporating Personal Advisor role (5 FTE/1 PTE); 3.1 Personal Advisors (2 FTE/2 PTE)

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2016/17 – as 2015/16 until December 2016 – following December 2016 to date: 6.6 Personal Advisors (5 FTE; 3 PTE)

3. How many individuals were employed by your authority as Personal Advisers during each of these three years?

There were 10 individuals employed in each year

4. Were any employment agencies used to fill these posts during each of these three years? If so, how many posts for each year? What was the total spend with agencies for these roles for each year?

There were 3 staff employed through employment agencies during 2015/16 and 2016/17, to back fill vacant Social Worker posts (incorporating the Personal Advisor role). The total expenditure was as follows:

| Year | Cost £ |
|---------|--------|
| 2014/15 | 0 |
| 2015/16 | 21,250 |
| 2016/17 | 50,969 |
| Total | 72,219 |

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