

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 003680 Date 18 June 2019

Young Carers

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with the following information:

• Can you tell us how many young carers* (aged 17 years and under) you have listed in your local authority area for the following years April to March: 2014/15; 2015/16; 2016/17; 2017/18; 2018/19?

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2014-2015 – unable to provide information
2015-2016 170
2016-2017 155
2017-2018 164
2018-2019 174
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- Can you tell us the source of your information on numbers of young carers* in your local authority area?
 Spurgeons Young Carers service
- Can you tell us how many of those young carers* (ages 17 years and under) identified in question 1 have had assessments, for the following years April to March: 2014/15; 2015/16; 2016/17; 2017/18; 2018/19.
 This would be the same as for young carers assessments, see below question.
- Can you tell us how many young carers assessments you have carried out in your local authority area for the following years April to March: 2014/15; 2015/16; 2016/17; 2017/18; 2018/19.

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2014-2015 -Unable to provide information
2015-2016 88
2016-2017 59
2017-2018 91
2018-2019 105
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*definition of a young carer: A young carer is someone under 18 who helps look after someone in their family, or a friend, who is ill, disabled or misuses drugs or alcohol.