

9 October 2020

## Response to Request for Information

### Looked After Children

I can confirm that the information requested is held by City of Wolverhampton Council. I have detailed below in blue the information that is being released to you.


### Request

Please can you provide me with responses to the following under the FOIA. I am inquiring about the impact of the responses to the Covid-19 pandemic on children entering care. Please can you supply:

1. The number of children who started to be looked after within 1 week of birth during the period 01 March 2020 to 30 August 2020  
[Number of children aged 7 days or less - 12](#)
2. The number of children who started to be looked after within 1 week of birth during the period 01 March 2019 to 30 August 2019  
[Number of children aged 7 days or less - 10](#)
3. The number of children who started to be looked of all ages during the period 01 March 2020 to 30 August 2020  
[Children with a period of care starting between 1 March and 30 August 2020 - 43](#)
  - And please provide a breakdown showing how many were
  - aged under 1 - [15](#)
  - aged 1-4 - [13](#)
  - aged 5-9 - [5](#)
  - aged 10-15 - [6](#)
  - aged 16+ - [4](#)
4. The number of children who started to be looked of all ages during the period 01 March 2019 to 30 August 2019  
[Children with a period of care starting between 1 March and 30 August 2019 - 48](#)

-- And please provide a breakdown showing how many were

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-- aged under 1 - 13  
-- aged 1-4 - 9  
-- aged 5-9 - 7  
-- aged 10-15 - 13  
-- aged 16+ - 6

5. The number of children who had a care order made (their legal status on the 903 system became C2 full care order) during the period 01 March 2020 to 30 August 2020

[Children who became C2 full care order 1 March and 30 August 2020 - 23](#)

6. The number of children who had a care order made (their legal status on the 903 system became C2 full care order) during the period 01 March 2019 to 30 August 2019

[Children who became C2 full care order 1 March and 30 August 2019 - 21](#)

Where relevant, can you please describe any special measures you took to support families involved in these care cases during the height of the pandemic - the time period identified?

Please quote the reference number 1981498 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Information Governance Team  
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City of Wolverhampton Council  
Civic Centre  
St. Peter's Square  
Wolverhampton WV1 1SH

Email: [foi@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:foi@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

If you are still dissatisfied with the Council's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner, contact details can be found on their website: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

I will now close your request as of this date.

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