



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 0815117
Date 24 August 2015

Children Home Placements

Request:

I am writing to make a request under the Freedom of Information Act for details of looked after children placed in residential children's homes.

More specifically, I am requesting the following:

1. The total number of looked after children the council currently (as of, or around, today's date) has Corporate Parenting responsibility for, who are currently placed in residential children's homes (excluding fostering placements, secure children's homes, residential special schools registered as children's homes, children's homes that provide respite care or short breaks only, and unregulated settings). Please note this definition of children's homes is the same used by the Department for Education in collating children's homes data in the Children's Homes Data Pack.

[As on 24/08/2015, our LA has Corporate Parenting responsibility to 41 looked after children who are currently placed in residential children's homes.](#)

2. A breakdown of this total showing the number of placements within the local authority, and the number outside the local authority. Example table below:

TABLE: Placements within the LA

Home local authority	Number of placements
Wolverhampton	15

TABLE: Placements outside the LA

Outside local authorities	Number of placements
Birmingham	2
Kent	1

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

Leicestershire	1
South Lanarkshire	1
Staffordshire	9
Shrewsbury	1
Powys	1
Telford & Wrekin	3
West Yorkshire	1
Worcestershire	1
Walsall	3