

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 111583
Date 16 November 2015

Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children

Request:

Please could you provide the following information **for each of the last three years** ending 31st March (that is 2012/2013; 2013/2014 and 2014/2015. Please note that we are asking about both unaccompanied asylum seeking children (under 18 years) in questions 1-4; and about unaccompanied care leavers (post 18 years) in questions 5-8).

If you are unable to provide data on any of the questions below please indicate this by inserting 'NO DATA AVAILABLE'.

Looked after unaccompanied asylum-seeking children (under 18 years)

1) The number of unaccompanied asylum seeking children (UASC) that were looked after by this Local Authority.

For each year (where possible) please state the profile of the above in terms of:

- i. Gender
- ii. Nationality
- iii. Legal/immigration status on 31st March in each year (e.g. no decision made as yet; granted asylum; granted temporary protection as a child (Discretionary Leave / UASC leave) refused asylum with no grant of leave)
- iv. Age on 31st March in each year

Year	Overall	Sex	Nationality	Age
FY 12-13	0	N/A	N/A	N/A
FY 13-14	3	All male	1 Iranian, 2 not recorded	2 aged 16, 1 aged 17
FY 14-15	1	All male	Not recorded	1 aged 17

In respect of your above question, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold information relating to legal/immigration status. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the

description specified in the request".

2) The number of UASC who were placed in this LA by other Local Authorities

No Data available

3) The number of UASC placed by this Local Authority place in other LAs.

No Data available

4) The number of UASCs who went 'missing' from the care of the local authority.

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How long is a UASC untraceable (the local authority has no knowledge of where they are) before they are considered to be 'missing'?

Of those who have gone 'missing' from local authority care, please state their profile in terms of:

- i. Gender
- ii. Nationality
- iii. Legal/immigration status at the point that 'missing' was recorded
- iv. Age at the point missing was recorded

Former UASC care leavers

For each of the same three years please can you provide information about:

5) The number of former UASC care leavers who were supported under leaving care legislation by this local authority.

Please state the profile of the above in terms of:

- i. Gender
- ii. Nationality
- iii. Legal/immigration status on 31st March in each year
- iv. Age on 31st March in each year
- v. Whether or not enrolled in higher education
- vi. Whether or not enrolled in further education

No Data available

6) The number of former UASC care leavers who went 'missing' whilst still entitled to leaving care services from the local authority.

How long is a former UASC care leaver untraceable (the local authority has no knowledge of where they are) before they are considered to be 'missing'?

Please state the profile of the above in terms of:

- i. Gender
- ii. Nationality

iii. Legal/immigration status at the point that 'missing' was recorded

iv. Age at the point that 'missing' was recorded

No Data available

7) The number (if any) of appeal rights exhausted care leavers who were supported by the local authority beyond grant funding from the Home Office.

No Data available

8) The number (if any) of human rights assessments made for care leavers with appeal rights exhausted.

No Data available

9) The number (if any) of care leavers with appeal rights exhausted who continued to receive support from the Local Authority following human rights assessment.

No Data available

In respect of questions 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold this information. Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

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