

Freedom of information request NCC-028329-17

Thank you for your Freedom of information request for the following information:

For each of the financial years 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16 and 2016/17, please can you disclose:

1a.

The number of reports received by the local authority relating to forced marriages or suspected forced marriages.

2a.

The age of the youngest victim of a forced marriage or suspected forced marriage.

3a.

The number of victims of a forced marriage or suspected forced marriage who were aged 15 or under.

4a.

The number of victims of a forced marriage or suspected forced marriage who were pregnant or had any children when they were aged 15 or under.

5a.

The number of victims of a forced marriage or suspected forced marriage who were pregnant or had any children when they were aged 17 or under.

6a.

The number of care proceedings undertaken by the local authority relating to forced marriages.

7a.

The number of care proceedings undertaken by the local authority relating to victims of a forced marriage or suspected forced marriage who were pregnant or had any children when they were aged 15 or under.

8a.

The number of care proceedings undertaken by the local authority relating to the children had by victims of forced marriage.

Our response:

Nottinghamshire County Council have considered your request for this information, however this information is not recorded centrally in a way that would allow us to readily extract it and it would require a manual search of individual records to identify the detail you have requested.

In order to locate and extract the requested information it would be necessary to manually review 24,788 assessments which were received in 2016/17 or on average 468 per week, we estimate that to undertake this exercise on a sample one week of assessments received at 3 minutes per enquiry this would take in excess of 23 hours to complete.

We have a duty to provide advice and assistance on how your request could be refined but given the number of enquiries received and that the information is not recorded centrally it is difficult to establish how the request could be refined.

You may be aware that there is a statutory limit to the amount of time authorities are required to spend retrieving and collating information in order to respond to a request. This is defined in the Fees and Appropriate Limit Regulations and currently stands at 2.5 days or 18 hours.

Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act we are not obliged to process requests that exceed this limit.

If you are unhappy with the way your request was dealt with and wish to make a complaint, please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the above reference number

With kind regards

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