Usage of Children's Centres- NCC-032954-18

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find attached an Freedom of Information request submitted on behalf of Action for Children. I have pasted the full request below.

I would be grateful if you could please acknowledge receipt of this request

Please consider the following questions as a requests under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Any additional information you can offer would also be gratefully received.

Does your council, either in house of through a commissioned partner, operate a management system recording the total number of children and parents using children's centres within your local authority boundaries?

How many children used children's centres in your local authority in the each of the following financial years:

2014/15 - 27,978 (62%) of 45,126 children under 5 years seen in Children's Centres

2015/16 - 29,948 (66%) of 43,127 children under 5 years seen in Children's Centres.

2016/17 - 26,066 of 46,604 children under 5 years seen in Children's Centres. 2017/18 - 31,921 (69%) of 46,261 children under 5 years seen in Children's Centres.

By 'use' we mean received any specified service or participated in at least one class or session delivered by the children's centre on site or at an alternative site operated by the children's centre.

The total for each financial year should only count a child once even if they used a children's centres on multiple occasions within a single financial year. By child we mean any person aged 18 and under.

How many of these children in each year were aged 5 or under? Covered in response above.

How many parents/carers used children's centres in your local authority in the each of the following financial years: We do not have data for the total numbers of parents/carers using Children's Centres each year.

By 'use' we mean received any specified service, received information or participated in at least one class or session delivered by the children's centre on site or at an alternative site operated by the children's centre.

The total for each financial year should only count a parent/carer once even if they used a children's centres on multiple occasions within a single financial year.

Dear Requester,

Further to your recent freedom of information request, please see below in response.

We trust this resolves your enquiry, however should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or email complaints@nottscc.gov.uk.

Kind Regards

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