## Freedom of information request NCC-033965-18

Thank you for your recent freedom of information request, for ease I have provided our response alongside each point raised as follows:

## **Foster Carer Statistics**

1. The number of currently approved foster carers;

There are currently 202 approved Nottinghamshire "NCC" LA Foster Carers

2. The number of foster carers approved during 2015, 2016, and 2017. A year is from April 1st to March 31st (e.g. 2015 = 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016).

There were 51 new approvals at panel in 2015, 25 in 2016 and 32 in 2017.

3. The number of foster carers who were deregistered/resigned during 2015, 2016, and 2017, including reasons for de-registration/resignation (e.g. practice issues; retirement; transfer to IFA etc.). A year is from April 1st to March 31st (e.g. 2015 = 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016). There were 5 de-registrations at panel in 2015, 10 in 2016 and 7 in 2017. NCC do not hold the details of the resignations in a reportable format. Due to the small numbers, NCC are unable to provide reasons for de-registrations as this could make an individual identifiable therefore this personal Information is exempt and would not be released under FOI Section 40 (2).

## **Foster Children Statistics**

4. The number of current looked after children:

As at 25 October there are 853 looked after children.

- 5. The number of children and young people currently placed with local authority foster carers; As at 25 October there are 333 LAC placed with LA Foster Carers
- 6. The number of children and young people currently placed with IFA (Independent Fostering Agencies);

As at 25 October there are 223 children placed with LA Foster Carers

7. The number of children looked after who moved into a Staying Put Arrangement or When I'm Ready, directly with the LA using the IFA approved foster carers, during 2015, 2016, and 2017. A year is from April 1st to March 31st (e.g. 2015 = 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016).

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8. The number of children looked after who moved into a Staying Put Arrangement or When I'm Ready, directly with the LA using the LA approved foster carers, during 2015, 2016, and 2017. A year is from April 1st to March 31st (e.g. 2015 = 1st April 2015 – 31st March 2016).

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I trust the above information is of assistance to you.

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 foi@nottscc.gov.uk

With kind regards

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