Dear

I am writing to you in reply to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to Nottinghamshire County Council. I have the following information.

1) Please state the total spend on unregulated placements by your authority in each of the last five calendar years, and the current calendar year to 10.12.19.

In Nottinghamshire we commission supported accommodation for young people aged 16-21. The County Council has two key arrangements in place for the commissioning of different elements of supported accommodation which Looked After children and Care Leavers aged 16 -21 can access as part of their transition to adulthood. There are two types of placements available:

1. The main 16+ provision has 227 units of accommodation for homeless 16/17-year olds, LAC and Care Leavers transitioning from residential or foster placements and vulnerable homeless young people aged over 18.

2. Individual placement agreements commissioned via a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) with approved providers that are able to provide support for young people who need a greater level of support than is readily available within the main 16+ provision.

Provision	2019-20 (up to 17/12/2019)	2018-19	2017-18
Contracts for the main provision*	£1,981,000 (forecast year-end)	£1,981,000	£1,981,000
High Needs DPS	£1,558,120	£1,782,481	£950,945
Total	£3,539,120	£3,763,481	£2,931,945

*Please note the figure quoted covers all placements in the main 16+ provision – not just 16/17-year olds

2) Please provide a breakdown of the ages of children placed in unregulated placements at the time of placement, and the placement lengths for placements that ended in the 2019 calendar year to 10.12.19.

Please see the attached spreadsheet which provides this information.

If you have any queries or concerns then please contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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 e-mail <u>foi@nottscc.gov.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

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