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To:
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Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about Looked After Children in Nottinghamshire

We are now able to provide the following information in response to your specific questions:

Please could you provide data you hold as a percentage or figures including the number of children affected against the total number of children in care between 01/01/2019 - 31/12/2019 that were:

- **Categorised by Social Services at risk whilst in care**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all LAC case records to identify any who have a child protection plan and then check whether this child protection plan indicates whether the child is considered to be at risk. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act

- **Placed in a secure unit or lock-in facility**

9 out of 1058, so 0.9%

- **Reported missing**

141 out of 1058, so 13.3%

- **Arrested**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all Youth offending case records to identify any who have been arrested and LAC. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act .

- **Convicted of a criminal offense**

34 YP were looked after at the time of receiving a sentence for an offence in 2019. So 34 of 1058 is 3.21%. It should be noted that conviction occurs a short while before sentence and so there is a small chance of error if YP became LAC between conviction and sentencing. This would not significantly affect the result though.

- **In prison or young offender institutions**

14 out of 1058, so 1.3%

- **Hospitalised**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all LAC case records to identify any who have been hospitalised. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act .

- **Receiving on-going mental health treatment**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all LAC case records to identify any who have received ongoing mental health treatment. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act.

- **Recorded by yourselves or a foster agency as having committed an act of self-harm**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all LAC case records to identify any who have

committed an act of self harm. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act

- **Achieving 90% attendance at school**

We do not hold this information in a reportable format and so to identify these cases would require a manual check of all LAC case records to identify any who have achieved 90% attendance. We anticipate that to complete this check would exceed the cost limit under FOI and it is therefore exempt under Section 12 of the Act

- **Please could also provide information relating to how many looked after children and formally looked after children died between 01/01/2015 - 06/12/2020 that the Council is aware of and the reported causes of death if it is known to the council?**

In Nottinghamshire in that time period there were two children died who were Looked After Children, one in 2017 and one in 2019. We consider that the cause of death is exempt under Section 41 of the FOI Act in that the information will have been provided in confidence and that the duty of confidence to that young person extends after their death. We also consider that to disclose the cause of death could enable those individuals to be identifiable if information is used along with information which may already be available in the public domain, and therefore consider that Section 40 would also apply.

I hope that you find this information to be helpful, however if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, then please email us at foi@nottsc.gov.uk quoting the reference NCC-048248-20 and we will be happy to review your request

With kind regards

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