

NCC-049606-20 Supported living semi-independent accommodation providers and placements

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under The Freedom of Information Act, please see below.

Q1 – Q6. Data for these questions is published by the DfE here, either in the main charts or the underlying data files:

[Children looked after in England including adoptions, Reporting Year 2020 – Explore education statistics – GOV.UK \(explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/explore-education-statistics)

We do not hold data on this, and would need to be requested from Ofsted who regulate children's homes.

7. Do you have a framework in place for procurement of residential or semi-independent accommodation?

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. This is a framework agreement which is not open for new providers to join. This contract will come to an end in July 2022.

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. This is open for new providers to join, but the rounds only open every 18 months. We already have 65 providers on the Framework and are not seeking to increase this number.

If yes, is the framework open?

If no, what is the expiry date of the framework

Do you spot purchase residential or semi-independent? **Very rarely, only when semi-independent accommodation is required in a specific location that is not covered by the DPS agreement.**

8. How many residential and semi-independent providers are you currently using? **Semi-independent providers currently used -16**

9. Names of residential providers that you commission with?

10. What are your current unmet needs in terms of residential or semi-independent accommodation, we like to establish which service users do you struggle to find placement provisions for? Please indicate with a yes or no

We do not struggle to find placements for young people via the DPS agreement.

County lines -

Child Sexual Exploration

Gangs -

Tier 4 -

Emergency/short term -

Siblings -

Parent and child -

Outreach support -

DoLs -

11. Average weekly cost paid for residential - between April 2018, April 2019, April 2020

12. Average Annual cost paid for residential - between April 2018, April 2019, April 2020

13. Average weekly cost paid for semi-independent (24-hour unit) - between April 2018, April 2019, April 2020. **This can vary between £850- £1850 depending if it is shared or solo placement**

14. Average annual cost paid for semi-independent (24-hour unit) - between April 2018, April 2019, April 2020. **We do not commission semi-independent setting on an annual basis.**

We trust this now resolves your enquiry. Where we have not been able to provide details we expect that this information is not held by Nottinghamshire County Council at this time.

We suggest all requesters search under our publication scheme in advance of requesting information under the freedom of information act.

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You can use the search facility using keywords. i.e. care / home etc.

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Kind Regards

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