

NCC-032741-18 children witnessing or suffering domestic abuse

Dear Requester,

Further to your recent Freedom of Information request,

Please see below in response to your questions

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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Kind Regards

Hi,

Please can you tell me how many children have been identified by the council as witnessing or suffering domestic abuse in each year over the past 5 years.

At the referral stage, our data records whether a child being referred is living in a household where domestic abuse is taking place or suspected.

On this basis, the numbers are:

2013/14 – 1629

2014/15 – 2432

2015/16 – 2771

2016/17 – 2712

2017/18 – 2539

If the child is subject to a Child and Family Assessment, our data records whether domestic violence was a factor in that assessment – either for the parent/carer, child or other member of the household.

On this basis, the numbers are:

2013/14 – not available as data was recorded differently

2014/15 – 2745

2015/16 – 2674

2016/17 – 3301

2017/18 – 3031

Please can you also tell me what action was taken by the council in each case e.g. referred to police Thank you,

This is not held in a reportable way and would require manual checking of all the above records to establish action taken. This would take considerably longer than the time available to answer an FOI. However, we do have information on whether a child and family assessment was conducted with the child and whether DV was found to be a factor in the child's case during that assessment – a factor either for the parent/carer, child or other member of the household.

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