

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.

The number of adopted children with active letterbox contact arrangements (i.e. where there are one or more letters due to be sent during the year).

There are currently 575 active letterbox arrangements within Notts.

The number of active, unique letterbox contact arrangements

There are currently 1323 separate unique arrangements.

A breakdown of the number of arrangements which are reviewed by yourselves in order to ensure that they are appropriate and approved/rejected before being sent on to the recipient versus those which aren't reviewed and are just forwarded on irrespective of the content. We at Notts review all arrangements.

The methods used for delivering the letters to the recipients (e.g. letters posted or delivered via courier, letter collected from your offices, letters viewed at your office but not taken away, letters sent via email, letters viewed online in a self-service electronic system). Currently we only send letters by post. We have in the past had views at the office.

The number of adopted children with active direct contact arrangements with a birth relative.

The figure for this is not known as we actively encourage Adopters and Birth relatives to arrange and complete without letterbox support.

The number of active, unique direct contact arrangements.

As above

A breakdown of the number of direct contact arrangements which are facilitated by yourselves (e.g. arranging a time/date, place etc.) versus those which are arranged directly between the parties (if known).

Letterbox facilitate 5 children from 2 families to have direct contact twice per year.

A breakdown of the number of direct contact arrangements which are supervised by yourselves versus those which are unsupervised.

We don't supervise any and as we have no record of figures for direct contacts this cannot be given.

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 foi@nottsc.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

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