

Freedom of information request NCC-037724-19

Thank you for your recent freedom of information request, for ease we have provided our response alongside each point as follows:

How many foster carers do you currently have as an LA? – 189 household

How many children do you currently have in care with in-house carers? 294

How many children do you currently have in care with private agencies? 259

How many foster carer recruitment enquiries did you receive between April 2017 – April 2018? There were 134

How many general foster carers did you approve between April 2017 – April 2018? 17

How many initial visits did your fostering team carry out between the above period? 128 initial visits

How many assessments for general carers do you currently have open? Nine

What is the average time it takes to complete a general fostering assessment? 7/8 months from point of initial enquiry.

Do you have a dedicated fostering recruitment officer? – We have two FTE posts that focus on recruitment campaigns with our corporate comms team and facilitate information events to support our recruitment of foster carers.

Do you have a dedicated recruitment team? – We are in the process of establishing a new recruitment and assessment team

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail foi@nottsc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.

With kind regards

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