

NCC-038494-19 children who are voluntarily accommodated under section 20 of the Children Act 1989

Dear Requester,

Further to your recent request for information under the freedom of information act.

Nottinghamshire County Council are only able to provide responses to Q2 and Q7 and Q8 where they apply to the Q2 cohort. Answers to the other questions are not recorded in a easily accessible format and would require a manual review of each file, estimated at 20-30 mins per file. This would not guarantee an answer was recorded but would take us well over the threshold allowed under the Act and so we are exempting in this case under s12.

We've also only been able to provide by financial year, not calendar year due to how the data is held.

Answers to Q2, Q7 and Q8

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
S20	334	276	195	168
S20 to Care Order	26	24	24	9
S20 to Placement Order	21	24	4	1

Age	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
0	4	5	0	2
1	18	11	11	2
2	11	5	5	4
3	19	9	4	3
4	10	10	3	2
5	10	8	1	2
6	6	5	4	1
7	3	3	1	2
8	6	1	3	0
9	5	2	5	3
10	5	3	0	4
11	6	4	1	2
12	9	8	6	4
13	11	10	7	4
14	11	14	14	14
15	34	20	18	19
16	32	47	26	26
17	70	46	49	30
18	63	65	37	44

We trust this now resolves your enquiry, however should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link)

<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

You can use the search facility using keywords.

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 email

complaints@nottscc.gov.uk .

Kind Regard

Complaints, Information & Mediation Officer
Chief Executive's Department
Nottinghamshire County Council
County Hall

Dear Information Governance Team,

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about children who are voluntarily accommodated under section 20 of the Children Act 1989. Please could you possibly advise on the following:

1. How many non-national children did you accommodate under section 20 of the Children Act 1989 in 2016/2017/2018? Please exclude children who entered the UK as unaccompanied minors and are seeking asylum.
2. How many children did you accommodate under section 20 of the Children Act 1989 for a consecutive period over 180 days in 20167/2017/2018?
3. How many children in Q1 had parents who did not speak English?
4. How many children from Q1 had written accommodation agreements?

5. How many children from Q1 had written accommodation agreements translated into another language?
6. How many children from Q1 were accommodated for a consecutive period over 180 days in 2016/2017/2018?
7. What are the age breakdowns of children from Q1 and Q2?
8. How many children from Q1 and Q2 have plans in place for:
 - a. A care order under section 31 Children Act 1989?
 - b. A placement order under section 21 Adoption and Children Act 2002?

Please respond by way of email if at all possible to. If it is not possible to provide the information requested please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone and I will be very happy to clarify what I am asking for.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response.

Best wishes,