

**NCC-045925-20 deprivation of liberties - children**

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under the freedom of information act, please see below.

We have/ had 3 cases of DOLs in the looked after team since May 2018

**Case A (boy current order)**

- 1) **Do you know does their DOLS cover that they are locked in overnight or prevented from leaving?**

The DoLs does not preventing him from leaving the premises , however if he attempts to leave staff will follow him as he is on constant supervision of 3:1. in and out of the home all the time.

- a. **If readily known or searchable, the most number of times an individual child was recorded as having been restrained whilst was detained in an individual setting under a Deprivation of Liberty order, outside of secure accommodation, since 1st January 2017**

He has only been restrained due to risk to himself and others not due to him trying to leave. This information is not readily searchable so we don't have numbers. A was made subject to a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards order (DoLS) by the court on 19/11/2019.

**Case B (girl current order)**

- 1) **Do you know does their DOLS cover that they are locked in overnight or prevented from leaving?**

The DoLs does not prevent her from leaving the premises, she is not locked in or prevented from leaving, instead staff follow her and encourage her return to the placement.

- 2) **If readily known or searchable, the most number of times an individual child was recorded as having been restrained whilst was detained in an individual setting under a Deprivation of Liberty order, outside of secure accommodation, since 1st January 2017**

**This is not readily known or searchable**

Her DOLs has been in place since 06/05/2020

**Case C (girl not current order)**

- 1) **Do you know does their DOLS cover that they are locked in overnight or prevented from leaving?**

C was residing in a solo, therapeutic, residential placement. C was looked after on a 2:1 basis with 1 waking staff during the night. C was monitored throughout the day. Door was not locked however she was followed if she left the placement.

- 2) **If readily known or searchable, the most number of times an individual child was recorded as having been restrained whilst was detained in an individual setting under a Deprivation of Liberty order, outside of secure accommodation, since 1st January 2017**

**Child C** has only been restrained due to risk to herself (not to prevent her leaving) and this information is not readily searchable.

**Child C** was made subject to a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards order (DoLS) by the court on **20/03/2020**. This order ended **3/06/2020**.

We trust this now resolves your enquiry and 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.

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. i.e. un regulated / care / home etc.

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](mailto:complaints@nottscc.gov.uk) .

Kind Regards  
Complaints and Information Team  
Nottinghamshire County Council  
County Hall

Dear Officer

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you provide me with responses to the following:

1/ The longest length of time (in days ideally, but can also be weeks) that an individual child or young person was detained (locked in overnight, or prevented from leaving) in an individual setting under a Deprivation of Liberty order, outside of secure accommodation since 1st January 2017

2/ If readily known or searchable, the most number of times an individual child was recorded as having been restrained whilst was detained in an individual setting under a Deprivation of Liberty order, outside of secure accommodation, since 1st January 2017

Please send me the data requested in the form of an Excel spreadsheet or as a csv file.

If you are able to supply some of this information more quickly than other items, please supply each item when you can rather than delay everything until it is all available.

If there are any clarifications requested or exemptions cited for certain parts of the request, please provide responses for others in the meantime, as advised by the Information Commissioner.

If you need any clarification then please email me.

Under your section 16 duty to provide advice and assistance I would expect you to contact me if you find this request unmanageable in any way so we can negotiate how best to proceed.

I would be grateful if you could confirm in writing that you have received this request, and I look forward to hearing from you in the near future,

Many thanks for your assistance,