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To:
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Dear

Thank you for your request for information about LAC children aged 16-17 living in unregulated accommodation in Nottinghamshire. You specifically asked:

* The number of representations and complaints received under the Children Act 1989 statutory procedure from looked after children living in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020.

Of these, how many children received assistance from an independent advocate

* Numbers of NEET 16 and 17-year-olds placed in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020

* Number of young people referred to mental health services that were placed in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020

We are now able to provide the following information:

The number of representations and complaints received under the Children Act 1989 statutory procedure from looked after children living in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020.

Of these, how many children received assistance from an independent advocate

We treat unregulated as those in supported accommodation as we don't place children in unregulated children's homes

4 complaints have been received under the Children Act 1989 Complaints Procedure by LAC young people living in supported living placements.

None of these young people had assistance from an independent advocate however 3 submitted their complaints using the Mind of My Own App which all LAC have access to and so the information is sent directly to the complaints team. The allocated complaints officer acts in an independent capacity and makes contact with the young people and support them with their complaint throughout the formal complaints process

All looked after children in residential care and unregulated provision are aware of the advocacy service, and how to access it. Contact from an advocate is made on a quarterly basis to all children in residential and unregulated accommodation.

Numbers of NEET 16 and 17-year-olds placed in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020

There were 98 young people aged 16/17 year olds that were placed in unregulated accommodation that were NEET at the point they were placed.

Number of young people referred to mental health services that were placed in unregulated accommodation between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2020

There were 27 young people that were involved with Tier 3 mental health services at the point of their move into this type of accommodation.

I hope that you find this information to be helpful, however if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, then please email us at foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference NCC-049753-20 and we will be happy to review your request

With kind regards

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