

Dear Requester

I refer to your recent Freedom of Information request. The response is as below and in the attached document.

1. How do you currently accommodate care leavers/young people (16-24 years old) within your borough? Please see the market position statement. Please note: The information contained below refers only to young people services which are for 16-21 year olds

2. How do you currently provide floating support to 16-24 years old within your borough? Floating support is provided within the main 16+ supported accommodation contracts

3. Can you explain your commissioning processes for the following in respect to 16-24 years old:

- a) private accommodation,
- b) private accommodation with support and
- c) floating support providers

Nottinghamshire does not commission private accommodation. Supported accommodation providers source their own accommodation to provide support to young people in. Floating support is provided as part of the main 16+ supported accommodation contract and is not commissioned separately.

Do you spot purchase, have framework contracts/agreements or block contracts for these services? See market position statement (MPS)

4. Do organisations need to go through the tendering process to accommodate and/or provide support for 16-24 years on a spot purchase basis? Please see MPS. We do not commission placements on a spot purchase basis (unless the young person is seeking a placement outside of the East Midlands).

5. For 16-17 years old do you require accommodation and/or support providers to be Ofsted registered? Not at this point, but this may be subject to change following further guidance from central government.

6. Please specify the number of 16-24 years old you have accommodated in private supported accommodation on a spot purchase basis within the last 12 months? Please break this down between 16-17 and 18-24 users. We have placed 2 YP aged 16/17 via spot purchase arrangements, no 18+ young people have been placed.

7. Do you operate an approved providers list of private accommodation and/or support providers? See MPS

8. How many 16-17 years old are currently in private supported accommodation? How many are in private accommodation with floating support provided? See MPS

9. How many 18-24 years old are currently in private supported accommodation? How many are in private accommodation with floating support provided? See MPS

10. Please specify the type of support provided for each category in the two questions immediately above - 1) housing support only or 2) housing and personal support or 3) housing with personal

support and personal care. All young people within the main supported housing provision are offered floating support when they move on, we do not hold records of how many young people chose to take up this offer. A different framework is in place for young people requiring personal care.

11. What is the average weekly cost of placing 16-17 years olds in private supported accommodation? Please split the cost separately between the cost of support and the cost of accommodation. See MPS

12. What is the average weekly cost of placing 18-24 years old in private supported accommodation? Please split the cost separately between the cost of support and the cost of accommodation. See MPS

13. How can a private residential care/private supported accommodation or a floating support provider approach the council when wishing to introduce their service - who is the specific point of contact? We are not looking to increase the number of providers we currently have contractual arrangements with.

14. Who should be approached within the council to discuss commissioning, service provision, rates and referrals? Beth Downing

15. Please can you provide me with a list of all of your top 5 suppliers for private supported accommodation in respect to 16-24 year olds? See MPS

16. Please can you provide me with a list of all of your top 5 suppliers for floating support in respect to 16-24 year olds? See MPS

I hope this assists. Should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

Complaints, Information and Mediation Officer
Nottinghamshire County Council

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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@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.