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Subject: FOI Request - [REDACTED] - Response
Date: 18 March 2024 12:45:00

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Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 7 March 2024, for parent and child placement information.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request:

"Dear Doncaster Borough Council,

Residential family centres must be registered with Ofsted. Ofsted defines residential family centres as any establishment that provides residential services for parents and their children in order to monitor and assess the parents' ability to respond to their children's needs and to safeguard and promote their children's welfare. This definition excludes hospitals, independent clinics, hostels or domestic violence refuges, and accommodation where the fact that children are with the adults is incidental to meeting the adults' needs.

Please supply this information for 2021/2022, 2022/2023 and the most up to date figures for 2023/2024."

1. Who within the Local Authority has the commissioning responsibility for residential family centre placements. Please provide their:

- a. Name
- b. Job Title
- c. Telephone number
- d. Email address

Response:

Commissioning responsibility falls under Rebecca Wall, Assistant Director - Children's Social care.

Contact details are as follows:

Telephone number - 01302 735992

Email address - Rebecca.Wall@doncaster.gov.uk

Request:

2. Please could you provide the average weekly fee paid to an independent residential family centre for a 12-week residential programme.

Response:

The average weekly fee paid to an independent residential family centre for a 12-week residential programme is as follows:

2021/2022 - £3,251.88

2022/2023 - £3350.00

2023/2024 - £4352.50

Request:

3. Please provide the total number of family placements made in an independent residential family centre each year for a minimum of 12 weeks residential programme

Response:

The total number of family placements made in an independent residential family centre each year for a minimum of 12 weeks residential programme are as follows:

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2022/2023 - Section 40 Refusal Notice:

The information you have requested is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information requested is third party personal data (i.e. personal data about someone other than you). Section 40 (2) provides that information which is third party personal data is exempt from disclosure if one of three conditions is satisfied. In this case the following condition applies:

- Disclosure would contravene one of the data protection principles

The information you have requested is personal data and has not been provided in this case as City of Doncaster Council believes that the release of such low numbers to responses could specifically lead to the identification of a family or child who otherwise would not expect their personal information to be released into the public domain

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4. Please provide a list of the independent residential family centre provider names with which families were placed during the year.

Response:

The provider used by City of Doncaster Council is Progressive Care Ltd.

5. Please indicate whether the placement provider was agreed based on providers being on the tender/white rose framework and whether you used any providers which weren't on the tender/white rose framework?

Response:

This provider is on the White rose framework.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £46.00 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

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Yours sincerely,

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