



My Ref: FOI 6424
Enquiries to: Information Requests
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Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

I am a researcher at the housing charity [Shelter](#). We would like to understand how many families are currently being provided with accommodation by the local authority under section 17 of the Children Act 1989.

These could be households provided with accommodation under section 17 for a range of reasons, including, but not limited to:

- **because they did not qualify for accommodation under the 1985 and 1996 Housing Acts**
- **because they were not eligible for assistance (this could be because they have No Recourse to Public Funds (NRPF))**
- **because they were eligible for assistance but were found to be intentionally homeless.**

I would only like to collect information on the number of families that are currently in housing provided under section 17 of the Children Act. Please note we are not asking for information on households housed in Temporary Accommodation under housing or homelessness legislation. Similarly, we are not asking for information on households housed under section 20 of the Children Act.

We are currently supporting 1 family with housing through s17 Children Act 1989, under the above criteria as they have No Recourse to Public Funds.

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Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
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Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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