



My Ref: FOI6323
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

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: -

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information regarding services for adults with learning disabilities and/or autism. Where possible, please kindly include responses on the attached Excel spreadsheet.

1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for learning disabilities placements?

For questions 2 to 4, please supply this information as a snapshot at the end of the year for the financial year 2025/26 and the most up to date snapshot available for 2026/27.

2. Please provide the total number of adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism funded by the Local Authority in residential care.

3. Of the total number of adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism funded by the Local Authority in residential care (q.2), please provide the number that are in 'in area' placements and the number that are in 'out of area' placements.

4. Please provide the total number of adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism funded by the Local Authority in supported living.

5. Please provide the local authority's total expenditure on residential care and supported living for adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism for the financial year 2025/26, and budgeted expenditure for 2026/27.

6. Please provide the highest, lowest, and average weekly rate paid by the Local Authority for residential care placements for adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism for each of the financial years 2025/26 and 2026/27. If the Local Authority has weekly rate bands, please also provide these.

7. Please provide the number of adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism funded by the Local Authority in residential care with fees per week of:

- Less than £1,500
- £1,500 to £2,999
- £3,000 to £4,999
- £5,000 or more

8. Please provide a list of providers used by the Local Authority to deliver long-term residential care to adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism. For each named provider, please provide both of the following for the same single month — the most recent full calendar month available (or, if a single month cannot be provided, the financial year 2025/26):

- a. the number of such adults funded by the Local Authority in long-term residential placements with that provider in that month; and**
- b. the Local Authority's total gross expenditure with that provider for that month, including all payments for these placements (e.g. any block/core hours).**

Please use the same month for (a) and (b) and confirm which month, so the two figures are directly comparable.

9. Does the Local Authority consider there is sufficient local residential care provision to meet the needs of adults aged 18-64 with learning disabilities and/or autism who have a high level of complex needs, and which providers does the Authority mainly use for these placements? What are the occupancy levels locally?

Please do let me know if there is any clarity that I can provide.

Please see responses on the spreadsheet provided.

If you have any queries about this letter, please contact Information Requests Via email.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

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Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

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

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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