



My Ref: FOI4803
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: -

Please provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for the period 1 April 2024 – 31 March 2025 (or the most recent 12-month period for which data is available):

1. Children's Home Placements

- **The total number of children placed by your authority in independent (private or voluntary sector) Ofsted-registered children's homes during the period.**
42

- **For each placement, please provide:**

- **Ofsted registration category (e.g., EBD, LD, ASD, SEMH, solo placement, secure, crisis, DoLS)**

This is sensitive information and not appropriate to share due to the safety of the young people.

- **Whether the placement was in-area or out-of-area**

25 – in-area

17 – out-of-area

- **Weekly fee charged by the provider**

Commercially sensitive information which could give the provider a financial advantage

- **Duration of placement (start and end dates, or ongoing)**

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2. Highest and Lowest Rates

- **The highest weekly fee paid for a children's home placement during the period, and the type of provision it related to.**

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- **The lowest weekly fee paid for a children's home placement during the period, and the type of provision it relates to.**

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3. Average Rates: the average weekly fee for:

- **Standard EBD placements**

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- **Solo placements**

Commercially sensitive information which could give the provider a financial advantage

- **DoLS or high-need therapeutic placements**

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4. Framework Information

- **Whether your authority uses a preferred provider framework for children's home placements, and if so, the name of the framework and lead organisation.**

White Rose Framework – Leeds City Council

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.

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Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office

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Kind regards,

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