



My Ref: FOI/ 4668
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: -

I would like to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

- 1. The number of households living in accommodation provided by the local authority under section 17 of the Children Act 1989 on 30th June 2025 (or most recent data available)**
- 2. (if available) The total number of adults living in these households on 30th June 2025 (or most recent data available)**
- 3. (if available) The total number of children living in these households on 30th June 2025 (or most recent data available) NB this number may include 16-17 year olds accommodated under Section 17.**

NB I am NOT requesting the number of children or households assisted under SECTION 20 powers.

I understand that many authorities will hold some but not all the information requested. Where this is the case, we would appreciate it if you could provide the information that you do hold and to mark others as 'Not available'. For ease, please place the requested figures into the table below:

	Total number of households	Total number of adults in these households	Total number of children in these households
1. Living in accommodation provided by the local authority under section 17 of the Children Act 1989 on 30th June 2025 (or most recent data available)	x	x	x

The council applies Section 12(4)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 as the cost of compliance, would exceed the appropriate limit of £450, equivalent to 18 hours of staff time.

At present, this information is not available in a reportable format within our data systems. Retrieving it would necessitate a manual review of over 1,600 individual electronic social care records, with each taking approximately three minutes to assess, which would exceed the 18-hour statutory time limit.

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:

Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
PO Box 634
Barnsley
S70 9GG
email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

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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