



My Ref: FOI/4197
Your Ref:
Date: 02/04/2025
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: -

Your questions and my findings are as follows:-

As of or closest to April 1st, 2025, can you please inform us:

1. How many 'other local authority children' are living in your area?
81
2. How many different local authorities have placed children in your area?
26
3. Who are the top 10 placing authorities 1- 10 with 1 being the largest number of children placed?

Wakefield Metropolitan Borough Council	1
Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council	2
Sheffield City Council	3
Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council	4
Bradford Metropolitan District Council	5
Kirklees Council	6
Leeds City Council	7
Lincolnshire County Council	8
Derby City Council	9
North Tyneside Council	10

Legislation

The Care Planning, Placement and Case Review statutory guidance and the associated regulations updated in 2013, outline duties on LAs to notify other LAs if they place a child in care within their area. It also requires children's homes to notify their host LA when a child is placed with them by another authority. Where a child who is not in care is placed in a health or education placement for three months or more, or with that intention, the placing authority or organisation also has a duty to notify the host LA prior to placement or as soon as practicable thereafter. The host LA, supported by relevant agencies in both the host and home authority must ensure that education and health partners are provided with information about placements of children in care into/out of their area.

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

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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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