21 February 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 198/18

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

This FOI request has been sent to all English Local Authorities responsible for delivering social work to children and families.

1. Over the last 12 months have you systematically (as opposed to individual online applications) recruited international social workers?

   Answer: No

2. If your answer to 1. Is YES have you done this yourself or with the assistance of a recruitment agency?

   Answer: Not Applicable

3. Which source countries have you recruited from?

   Answer: Not Applicable

4. Were social workers registered to work in the UK in advance of interview?

   Answer: Not Applicable

5. What was the average length of time taken from interview to get social workers into post?

   Answer: Not Applicable

6. What relocation package and assistance with visas was made available to social workers and their families?

   Answer: Not Applicable

7. Were there any aspects of the recruitment process that presented particular difficulties or challenges?

   Answer: Not Applicable
8. Does your Local Authority have any intention to recruit international social workers in 2018? If so, which source country or countries do you have in mind?

Answer: No. Not currently part of Rutland County Council’s recruitment Strategy.

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