29 August 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1047/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request / Response:

I submit the following request for information under the Freedom of Information legislation to your Local Authority concerning criminal exploitation of missing young people. This information will be used for a national policy report, and individual local authorities will not be identified.

Missing from home

1. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of males aged 10-17 who were missing from home?

   Answer: 4

2. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of females aged 10-17 who were missing from home?

   Answer: 11

3. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of missing episodes for males aged 10-17 who were missing from home?

   Answer: 6

4. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of missing episodes for females aged 10-17 who were missing from home?

   Answer: 11

5. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of days that males aged 10-17 were missing from home?

   Answer: 29.5 hours

6. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of days that females aged 10-17 were missing from home?
Answer: 46 hours

7. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of males aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area, following a missing from home episode?

Answer: 0

8. In the year ending 31st March 2018, for the total number of males aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area following a missing from home episode, what was the average length of missing episode in hours?

Answer: 0

9. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of females aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area, following a missing from home episode?

Answer: 0

10. In the year ending 31st March 2018, for the total number of females aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area following a missing from home episode, what was the average length of missing episode in hours?

Answer: 0

Missing from care

11. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of males aged 10-17 who were missing from care?

Answer: In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this email message acts as a Refusal Notice.

We can confirm that we hold the information however we are unable to supply it as we consider this information to be exempt due to the low number of individuals identified.

The Council is relying on Section 40(2) – personal information in that it believes the exemption applies because the information is personal information and we believe that disclosure would not be fair or lawful because it would breach the first data protection principle as outlined in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act 1998. We consider that these individuals would have a reasonable expectation of privacy.

12. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of females aged 10-17 who were missing from care?

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13. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of missing episodes for males aged 10-17 who were missing from care?

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14. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of missing episodes for females aged 10-17 who were missing from care?

Answer: 5

15. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of days that males aged 10-17 were missing from care?

Answer: 68 hours

16. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what were the total number of days that females aged 10-17 were missing from care?

Answer: 25 hours

17. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of males aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area, following a missing from care episode?

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18. In the year ending 31st March 2018, for the total number of males aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area following a missing from care episode, what was the average length of missing episode in hours?

   Answer: 17

19. In the year ending 31st March 2018, what was the total number of females aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area, following a missing from care episode?

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20. In the year ending 31st March 2018, for the total number of females aged 10-17 who were found outside the boundaries of your local authority area following a missing from care episode, what was the average length of missing episode in hours?

   Answer: 6

21. Of the total number of males aged 10-17, who were missing from care, how many had the following risks identified

   a) CSE

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b) Gang involvement

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c) Criminal Exploitation, in relation to county lines

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d) Trafficking

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22. Of the total number of males aged 10-17, who were missing from care, and had the risk identified as criminal exploitation, what were the total number of days they were missing in the year ending 31st March 2018?

Answer: 68 hours

23. Of the total number of females aged 10-17, who were missing from care, how many had the following risks identified

a) CSE

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b) Gang involvement

Answer: 0

c) Criminal Exploitation, in relation to county lines

Answer: 0

d) Trafficking

Answer: 0

24. Of the total number of females aged 10-17, who were missing from care, and had the risk identified as criminal exploitation, what were the total number of days they were missing in the year ending 31st March 2018?

Answer: 20 hours

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Yours faithfully

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