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Dear 

### **Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)**

Thank you for requesting information about Children's Residential Homes which the Council received on 4 November 2014. Your request has been considered under the above legislation.

You have requested the following information:

Between January 1 2014, and 4 November 2014 for the children you have responsibility for, placed in residential children's homes (either council owned or commissioned by the council in authority/private/voluntary homes located anywhere):

**How many children have committed suicide? How many individual incidents have been recorded (or reported to you by commissioned providers) of children suffering self-harm? (ie. this total may include multiple incidents by one child).**

**How many individual children have been recorded (or reported to you by commissioned providers) suffering self-harm? (ie. this total will only include the number of children, ignoring multiple incidents by one child). If you breakdown the number of self-harm incidents in any way, eg. by the category of self-harm (drug abuse, suicide attempt, cutting, eating disorders, etc.) please provide that breakdown.**

Between 1 January 2014 and 4 November 2014 12 children had self-harmed. Please note that the only information that is held relates to self-harm if it is identified as a factor at the C&F assessment. The local authority does not break-down incidents of self-harm into separate categories.

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Yours sincerely

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