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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI557049277

Thank you for your request for information relating to Asylum seekers the Council is currently supporting.

You have requested the following information:

I am looking to find the number of asylum seekers the council is currently supporting.

Under FOI laws, please use the most recently available data to provide the areas where they are accommodated, broken down into the flowing parliamentary constituencies:

**Coventry North East; Coventry North West; Coventry South;** 

Please provide the total number of asylum seekers per parliamentary constituency, or the postcode prefix if this is easier.

Please DO NOT provide the full postcode, or the name of any building.

Please state the date to which this data applies, being as specific as possible.

The data provided in our response is from 30 September to 14 November 2023.

The number of asylum seekers Coventry City Council is currently supporting is 276 active cases, however the majority of cases we are currently supporting are clients whose asylum support has discontinued.

As part of the Migration Team, Local Authority Asylum Support Liaison Officers (LAASLOs) aim to facilitate the smooth transition for those granted refugee status from government-supported accommodation into mainstream services during their 28-day 'move on' period.

LAASLOs also support to connect asylum seekers to available services whilst they live in the city and preparing them in advance for both a positive and negative decision from the asylum process and offers advice and signposting for those asylum seekers receiving a negative decision on their asylum claim. In addition, LAASLOs support 358 cases in the three hotels in Coventry.

Please see the below showing parliamentary constituencies area breakdown.

CV1: Zarah Sultana (Coventry South)

CV2: Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East)
CV3: Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East)

CV4: Zarah Sultana (Coventry South)

CV5: Taiwo Owatemi (Coventry North West) CV6: Colleen Fletcher (Coventry North East)

Please find total number of asylum seekers per parliamentary constituency:

Z Sultana: 124 C Fletcher: 97 T Owatemi: 55

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Yours faithfully

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