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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI744823640

Thank you for your request for information relating to Young Carer Information and Services.

You have requested the following information:

1. How the council defines a young carer.

The council uses the national definition of Young Carer as a person under the age of 18 who provides or intends to provide care for another person such as relative or family friend due to illness, disability, mental health issues, or substance misuse problems.

2, The number of young carers who were referred to your services.

We advise as per Section 1(1) of the Act that we do not hold information for years 2020/21 to 2022/23.

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
No data collated	No data collated	No data collated	61	178	74 (to June)
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3. The annual budgets in the financial years between 2020 and 2025 that were allocated to supporting young carers.

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
£80k	£80k	£80k	£100k	£100k	£100k

4. The criteria young carers must meet to receive support from the council

Anyone providing care under the age of 18 who is providing care for someone else.

5. Grants available to young carers, their purpose, and their monetary amount. We do not provide specific grants to young carers at present.

Needs Assessment and Transitional Support.

6. The proportion of young carers referred to the council who had a needs assessment.

We advise as per Section 1(1) of the Act that we do not hold information. We do not collate this data. However this is the amount of young carers who have had an assessment by year.

2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
42 (5 mths	88	160	119	221	75 (to
only)					June)

7. The percentage of young carers over 18 who received a transition assessment before they turned 18.

We advise as per Section 1(1) of the Act that we do not hold information. We do not collate this data at present.

Respite Support

8. A list and details of any respite schemes for young carers, whether they are fully funded, and who is responsible for fulfilling them.

We do not commission any specific respite provision for young carers. We do have provision to provide breaks both in adult services and children's however do not collate the reasoning as to whether it is young carer related.

9. The number of young Carers receiving each type of respite support (A and B – as defined below).

As above.

10. For those receiving respite support, please provide the number of days of respite each young carer may receive on average per (Type A and B defined below).

Respite type and other definitions

- A. Support that allows carers to take a break from caring, while the person they care for is looked after by someone else.
- B. Trips, activities, workshops, therapeutic support or social opportunities that young carers receive from the council.

As above.

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Yours faithfully

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