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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)  
Request ID: FOI832156251**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Children placed in supported accommodation.

You have requested the following information:

**1. Please provide. data for the most recent 12-month period available on the number of children placed in supported accommodation in your area, broken down by entry route:**

**a) via section 20 of the Children Act 1989**

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**b) move from other settings**

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**c) via homelessness or housing duty routes under the Housing Act 1996.**

We hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

This information is not held in a reportable format and would require an officer to perform more

than 18 hours work to manually trawl through individual children's records to answer this part of your request. This part of your request has been refused under section 12(2) of the Act.

**d) other**

Nil.

**2) Please confirm whether your local authority's contract with its in-house or externally commissioned independent advocacy service includes provision for 16- and 17-year-old children at the point of assessment or after placement in supported accommodation via homelessness or housing duty routes.**

Advocacy and Independent Visitor support is externally commissioned and are available to children and young people who receive services from Coventry City Council (CCC) and need advocacy support. This includes young people aged 16-17 presenting as homeless.

The supply of information in response to a FOI/EIR request does not confer an automatic right to re-use the information. You can use any information supplied for the purposes of private study and non commercial research without requiring further permission. Similarly, information supplied can also be re-used for the purposes of news reporting. An exception to this is photographs. Please contact us if you wish to use the information for any other purpose.

For information, we publish a variety of information such as: [FOI/EIR Disclosure Log](#), [Publication Scheme](#), [Facts about Coventry](#) and [Open Data](#) that you may find of useful if you are looking for information in the future.

If you are unhappy with the handling of your request, you can ask us to review our response. Requests for reviews should be submitted within 40 days of the date of receipt of our response to your original request email: [infogov@coventry.gov.uk](mailto:infogov@coventry.gov.uk)

If you are unhappy with the outcome of our review, you can write to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or email [icocasework@ico.org.uk](mailto:icocasework@ico.org.uk).

Please remember to quote the reference number above in your response.

Yours faithfully

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