

Response to Request for Information

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Civil Claims Relating to Historical Child Sexual Abuse

Request:

1. The amount of money your council paid out during the financial year 14/15 in compensation and/or damages and/or other payments to settle civil claims relating to historical child sexual abuse. Please give a breakdown stating a) the number of claims b) the date range of the incidents the civil claims relate to, from the earliest to the most recent.

The Council has not made any payments on historic abuse claims between 1 April 2014 and 31 March 2016.

- 2. The total legal costs incurred by the council during the financial year 14/15 as a result of civil claims relating to historical child sexual abuse.

 N/A
- 3. The amount of money your council paid out during the financial year 15/16 in compensation and/or damages and/or to settle civil claims relating to historical child sexual abuse. Please give a breakdown stating a) the number of claims b) the date range of the incidents the civil claims relate to, from the earliest to the most recent. N/A
- 4. The total legal costs incurred by the council during the financial year 15/16 as a result of civil claims relating to historical child sexual abuse.

 N/A
- 5. The amount of money the council has set aside / allocated / budgeted for the year financial year 16/17 for compensation and/or damages and/or to settle civil claims relating to historical child sexual abuse.

We do have claims that are yet to be settled, however no financial reserve has been allocated to the current financial year as we do not know when or if the payments will be made.

6. The council's child protection / safeguarding or equivalent budget for 16/17. The Council's 2016/17 combined budget for Child Protection and Children's Safeguarding is £7.2 million.

(Please note Child Protection Services also include Children In Need Services).

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