

CITY OF
WOLVERHAMPTON
C O U N C I L

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 000860
Date 8 February 2017

Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children – Copies of Responses

Request:

Under the **Freedom of Information Act**, I would like to request --

- A)** copies of all responses provided by (or collectively on behalf of) your local authority to:
- i) the letter sent to 'All Local Council Leaders' by Robert Goodwill MP, Minister of State for Immigration, dated 8/9/2016 (this letter had the heading 'UNACCOMPANIED ASYLUM SEEKING AND REFUGEE CHILDREN');
[In response to question i\) above, I can inform you that no formal response was provided to either letter as our negotiations about how we could help was provided to the West Midlands Strategic Migration partnership who led on this on behalf of the West Midlands.](#)
 - ii) the letter sent to Local Authority Leaders by the Rt Hon Amber Rudd, Home Secretary, and Edward Timpson MP, Minister of State for Vulnerable Children and Families, dated 14/10/2016 (this letter had no heading, but concerned local authority capacity to care for unaccompanied asylum-seeking minors and began 'At the start of September the Immigration Minister wrote to you...');
[In response to your above question, please see the response we provided in question A\) i\) above.](#)
 - iii) any other request by the Home Office for indications of how many places your local authority would be willing to offer to unaccompanied asylum-seeking children under Section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016 (the 'Dubs' amendment);
[In response to your question iii\) above to support Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking Children made to the City of Wolverhampton by the Home Office and Ministers; the City of Wolverhampton has received, and cares for 6 young people. During 2016 5 young people were transferred to the care of the City of Wolverhampton from Kent, another young person has transferred to the care of Wolverhampton from the London Borough of Ealing through the National Transfer Scheme.](#)

B) the total number of:

i) places pledged by your council for unaccompanied asylum-seeking children under Section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016 (the 'Dubs' amendment) (if this has been altered at any point since the Home Office consultation began, please provide all numbers and indicate which is the most recent);

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ii) places that have been filled (by the date of your response) by unaccompanied asylum-seeking children who arrived under Section 67 of the Immigration Act 2016 (the 'Dubs' amendment).

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