

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 001446
Date 21 August 2017

Care Home Abuse

Request:

I would like to submit the following request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

During the periods of April 2014 to March 2015, April 2015 to March 2016 and April 2016 to March 2017:

How many reports were made of sexual abuse, assault, exploitation or any other sexual offence against Looked After Children by members of staff or other residents at the Looked After Child's care home? *Please provide the date and summary of the incident.*

What was the action and outcome of each incident? Specifically, was the complainant or alleged perpetrator moved to a different care home following the allegation?

I would be interested in any information held regarding my request. I understand identifying information cannot be given and am happy to accept redactions of individual names.

The following information is taken from the LADO database and refers only to allegations of a sexual nature involving a child making an allegation against an adult (i.e. not child on child).

April 2014 to March 2015

No allegations of a sexual nature recorded on LADO database regarding child's care home (children's home).

April 2015 – March 2016

2 allegations recorded on LADO database:

	Date	Summary	Outcome	Was alleged perpetrator moved to a different care home following allegation?
Case 1	May 2015	Child alleged that member of staff touched	NFA following police	No

		her breast.	investigation	
Case 2	February 2016	Child alleged that staff member has acted inappropriately and this may have been of a sexualised nature	NFA following police investigation. Internal investigation concluded NFA	No

April 2016 – March 2017

	Date	Summary	Outcome	Was alleged perpetrator moved to a different home following the allegation?
Case 1	August 2016	Allegation that member of staff sexually assaulted resident	Dismissed but not for the original allegation	No
Case 2	October 2016	Allegation that member of staff sexually abused resident	Allegation was malicious and closed following investigation	No
Case 3	October 2016	Allegation that member of staff sexually assaulted resident	Allegation was withdrawn by child, stating it was not correct	Yes
Case 4	December 2016	Allegation that member of staff kissed resident	Internally resolved and no further action required.	No
Case 5	March 2017	Allegation that member of staff brushed against breast of resident	No further action required	No
Case 6	March 2017	Historic allegation of sexual abuse	Previously investigated and concluded in no further action	No