

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Children Referred***

#### **Request:**

Can you please supply the following information. On children referred to children's social care by the NSPCC for each of the years ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015, 2016 and 2017 and for the 6 months from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017:

In respect of your questions below, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold all of the above information as we had a change in system for recording referrals. Consequently, we are unable to provide some of the information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".

Therefore, we can provide you with data for the latest statutory year (1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2017), and the last 6 months as shown below.

1. How many referrals were made by the NSPCC  

	<b>2016/2017</b>	<b>April 2017 – September 2017</b>
	50	28
  
2. How many children were referred by the NSPCC  

	<b>2016/2017</b>	<b>April 2017 – September 2017</b>
	50	28
  
3. How many of the above referrals led to an episode as a child in need  

	<b>2016/2017</b>	<b>April 2017 – September 2017</b>
	34	6
  
4. What was the initial category of need in the above episodes of need  

	<b>2016/2017</b>	<b>April 2017 – September 2017</b>
Abuse or Neglect	29	6
Family Dsyfunction	5	0

