



Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002069
Date 14 March 2018

Children's Centres

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the local authority to provide me with the following information as per the Government's statutory definition of a children's centre:

- a) The number of designated statutory children's centres. I would like this data for the current financial year and for 2009/10?

Current = 8
2009/10 = 16

- b) How many 1) families 2) children are regularly accessing children's centre services in your local authority in each of the last 2 years (2016 and 2017)? Please give figures for the number of families and children separately for each year.

Between September 2016 and December 2017, the service has worked with 9710 individual children under 18 – we do not count data by family

- c) What support and services are provided at designated children's centres in your area? Please cross (x) all that apply
Childcare (please also state the number of centres providing childcare support)

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Integrated health visitor support ___
Breastfeeding support ___
Home based family support ___
Job-centre plus services ___
Children's social care services ___

We can confirm that we do offer all the services in our centres other than JCP.

- d) Whether the opening hours of any of your children's centres have reduced between 2016/17 and 2017/18, or are due to reduce in the next financial year. Please indicate if hours have reduced or are expected to reduce separately with a yes or no answer. No

Reduction in hours: 2017/18 2018/19

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

- e) Whether the same number of open designated children's centres are currently forecast to remain open in the next financial year 2018/19. If the answer to this question is no, how many centres will be de-designated in the next financial year? [Yes](#)