

Response to Request for Information

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Harmful Sexual Behaviour

Request:

I am writing to you to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on the support Wolverhampton City Council provides for children or young people who display harmful sexual behaviours.

1. How many children (up to 18 years) in the 2017/2018 financial year did you provide services to where the primary support need was due to a child exhibiting problematic or harmful sexual behaviour (HSB)?
[135 children referred to MASH in the 2017-18 year had a risk flag of 'Child Challenging Behaviour'](#)
2. How many referrals were for children who were:
 - a) 9 years and younger: [44](#)
 - b) 10 – 12 years: [17](#)
 - c) 13-15: [47](#)
 - d) 16+: [24](#)
3. Of those children referred for problematic or harmful sexual behaviour, how many were:
 - a) Boys: [31](#)
 - b) Girls: [90](#)
 - c) Not stated: [11](#).
4. Do you have any trained specialists providing child HSB services?
 - a) Social Care specialists: [Yes](#)
 - b) NHS: [Yes](#)
 - c) Commissioned private healthcare provider: [Yes](#)
 - d) YOT: [Yes](#)
 - e) Commissioned voluntary sector
 - f) Other
 - g) NoneIf you wish to state what 'other' provision you have or what non-specialist provision the child receives, please give details.
5. What is your local child specific HSB service offer?
 - a) Specialist risk assessment service,
 - b) Court reports

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- c) Therapeutic intervention service
 - d) Family support
 - e) Offender resettlement
 - f) Other (please specify) [Risk Assessment and Intervention Planning](#)
6. What guidance frames your current HSB practice?
- a) NICE guidelines on 'harmful sexual behaviour among children and young people': [Yes](#)
 - b) NSPCC HSB Framework: [Yes](#)
 - c) Locally developed safeguarding guidance: [Yes](#)
 - d) Other guidance
 - e) No specialist guidance

[Please note: our info is for children referred for 'challenging behaviour rather than specifically sexual behaviour!](#)