

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002916
Date 24 October 2018

Semi Independent Accommodation/Provision

Request:

All elements of this request relate to semi independent accommodation or provision also sometimes referred to as supported accommodation or lodging for those aged 16+. Typically this is information the LADO/CSE team/Children's Services are aware of. If there is any uncertainty, please don't hesitate to seek clarification.

Please provide the following:

1. The number of missing episodes involving young people placed in semi-independent accommodation/provision for each of the last four years and a total for all four years.
2014 = Information not held
2015 = 79
2016 = 65
2017 = 84
2. The number of young people who have been recognised as being at risk of CSE who have subsequently been placed in semi-independent accommodation/provision over the last four years.
We can only share data from June 2016 to present which has been 11 young people who have been at risk of CSE and were in semi-independent accommodation.
3. The number of safeguarding alerts which have triggered an investigation under Organised/Complex Abuse procedures concerning semi-independent accommodation/provision and their staff. Organised/ Complex Abuse is defined as abuse involving one or more abusers and a number of related or non-related abused children. A definition can be found in Section 8.1 here:
http://www.londoncp.co.uk/chapters/organised_complex.html#define

Following reasonable enquiries, it has been established that the Council does not hold the above requested information.

Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ("The Act"), that states:

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

"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".

4. The number of providers of semi-independent accommodation/provision the authority has stopped using because of safeguarding concerns over the last four years.
None

Please send me the data requested in the form of an Excel spreadsheet or as a csv file, ideally using the template provided.