

## Freedom of Information Act 2000

CYP Foster Care contract details



Ref No: **FOI-1920-1165**

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**Q1:** Could you please name all the Councils listed in the contract (if part of a Consortia)?

**Response:**

- (1) **Bournemouth Borough Council** of Town Hall, St Stephen's Road, Bournemouth BH2 6EB ("Bournemouth")
- (2) **Dorset County Council** of County Hall, Colliton Park Dorchester Dorset DT1 1XJ ("Dorset")
- (3) **Isle of Wight County Council** of County Hall, High St, Newport PO30 1UD ("IOW");
- (4) **Oxfordshire County Council** of County Hall, New Road, Oxford OX1 1ND ("Oxon");
- (5) **Poole Borough Council** of Civic Centre Poole BH15 2RU ("Poole")
- (6) **Portsmouth City Council** of Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth, Hampshire PO1 2BG ("Portsmouth");
- (7) **Southampton City Council** of Civic Centre, Southampton SO14 7LY ("Soton");
- (8) **Surrey County Council** of County Hall, Penrhyn Road, Kingston upon Thames, Surrey KT1 2DN ("Surrey");
- (9) **Reading Borough Council** of Civic Offices, Bridge St, Reading, Berkshire RG1 2LU ("Reading");
- (10) **Bracknell Forest Council** of Easthampstead House, Town Square, Bracknell, Berkshire RG12 1AQ ("Bracknell");
- (11) **The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead** of Town Hall, St Ives Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL6 1RF ("Windsor");
- (12) ~~**Slough Borough Council** of Landmark Place, High Street, Slough SL1 1JL~~ *Slough Children's Services Trust of St. Martin's Place, St Bath Road, Slough SL1 3UF SL2* ("Slough");
- (13) **West Berkshire Council** of West Berkshire Council Offices, Market Street, Newbury, West Berkshire RG14 5LD ("Berkshire"); and
- (14) **Wokingham Borough Council** of Shute End, Wokingham, Berkshire RG40 1BN ("Wokingham")

**Please note:** Reading is called Brighter Future for Children now. Also Bournemouth and Poole have merged and are now called BCP Council.

**Q2:** Who is on the awarded list - for the various Tiers - and the value for each provider?

**Response:**

Please see attachment FOI-1920-1165 A

Please note that the Council does hold details of the value of these contracts. However the information is considered to be commercially sensitive under S43 of the Freedom of information Act 2000. Unfortunately the Council is not currently in a position to undertake a public interest as required by this exemption. This is due to redeployment of staff from this service on to the frontline dealing with key services relating to the Coronavirus (Covid-19) Pandemic.

We hope to be able to provide a full response including details of a public interest test at a later stage, however we are not currently in a position to confirm when this will be as the pandemic situation is developing on an hourly basis, and we are unable to confirm when these staff will be deployed back into their normal roles. We will provide you an update regarding this matter, once we know more.

**Q3:** Any public link where we may view information on this contract as & when it is updated

**Response:**

I can confirm that the City Council holds this information. The information is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain. The information is available at:

All contracts are listed in the public database found at:

<http://www.southampton.gov.uk/council-democracy/council-data/procurement-information.aspx>

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