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## PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

Rose Smith

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Dear Rose Smith

### Freedom of Information Act 2000, Reference: FOI-8233-2021

The council has completed its search relating to your request about the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards received on Wed, 10 Feb 2021.

#### Request

1 - How many assessments under the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards were conducted during the period 01/01/2020 to 31/12/2020 by each of the following:

- a.) Council employed Best Interest Assessors
- b.) Independent Best Interest Assessors (not employed directly by the Council)
- c.) Mental Health Assessors
- d.) Assessments allocated to 3rd party service providers for completion

2- Please provide the total spend on the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards assessments between 01/01/2020 and 31/12/2020, on each of the following:

- a.) Employed Best Interest Assessors
- b.) Independent Best Interest Assessors
- c.) Mental Health Assessors
- d.) 3rd party service providers

3 – What is the standard price paid per BIA assessment

4 – What is the standard price paid per Mental Health Assessment for DoLS

5 - Please provide the name of the local DoLS Lead or Team Manager

## Response

The council does hold information within the definition of your request.

1a, 271

1b, 402

1c, 629

1d, Each DoLS authorisation consists of 6 assessments that are carried out. These assessments are completed by both the Best Interests Assessor and the Mental Health Assessor. The assessments of 402 customers were sent to independent Best Interests Assessors (as above) and 629 were sent to independent Mental Health Assessors (as above). The total amount of customers is 629.

2a, £156,750

2b, £120,600

2c, £157,250

2d, £277,850

3, £350

4, £250

5, Larisa Wood

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Yours sincerely

