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Please ask for: the Information Access Officer

Date: 20 June 2019

My Ref: 909588

Your Ref:

Dear Themer

Freedom of Information Request - Accommodation of Children Under S20

I am writing further to the previous correspondence dated 10 June 2019 regarding your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am pleased to inform you that the Council does hold the information that you have requested and I attach our response.

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Yours sincerely,

Neelam Bhardwaja
Service Director
Children, Young People and Families

Q1. How many children are currently accommodated by your local authority under section 20 of the Children Act 1989?

A1. 59 (as at 14 June 2019)

Q2. Of the children in Q1, how many have been accommodated under section 20 for more than 3 months?

A2. 4 have been Section 20 for 4 to 6 months

Q3. Of the children in Q1, how many have been accommodated under section 20 for more than 6 months?

A3. 9 have been Section 20 for 7 to 12 months

Q4. Q3. Of the children in Q1, how many have been accommodated under section 20 for more than 12 months?

A4. 30