

**Complex Care**

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The person dealing with this matter is: Lorraine King

Ms Svetlana Kotova

Dear Ms Kotova

Thank you for your request for information received on 15 January 2020 concerning:

1. Do you have any policies that require the Local Authority to consider residential placements for adults receiving social care support funded by the council when providing support in the community is more expensive?
2. What social care support services have you put in place to reduce the likelihood of someone entering residential care, and ensure they can continue to live in their own homes?
3. How much money have you spent on adult social care support for people who live in the community over the last five years? please provide breakdown for people of working age and older people.
4. How many adults with care and support needs received social care support in their own home or in the community? Please provide breakdown for people of working age and older people.
5. How much money have you spent on residential placements for adult social care over the last five years? please provide breakdown for people of working age and older people and provide a separate figure for out of borough placements.
6. How many adults with care and support needs received support in residential placements over the last five years? Please provide a separate figure for those placed in facilities outside of the local authority. .

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I can confirm that the information requested is held by the London Borough of Bexley. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

1. Do you have any policies that require the Local Authority to consider residential placements for adults receiving social care support funded by the council when providing support in the community is more expensive?

Adult Social Care work within the duties of the Care Act 2014, and a vast range of legal framework, pertaining to the accommodation-based choice of care. We do have policies and procedures that support people to make informed choices about residential care including personal budgets.

2. What social care support services have you put in place to reduce the likelihood of someone entering residential care, and ensure they can continue to live in their own homes?

Adult social care takes pro-active steps to support people to make informed choices about care, and first and foremost support people through our adult social care front door to seek choice of services, that are in the community at home, supporting their independence and choice. We have a range of community support services, care at home and equipment services, all focused on supporting people at home. We also have a range of day services for adults including day opportunities.

		2019/20	2018/19	2017/18	2016/17	2015/16
<b>3 Community</b>	<b>Working Age</b>	11,285,629	9,187,972	10,214,457	10,646,476	7,749,253
	<b>Older People</b>	14,183,371	13,432,113	13,094,883	9,009,112	8,823,875
<b>5 Residential</b>	<b>Working Age</b>	24,072,543	19,916,367	18,546,160	18,048,987	17,189,843
	<b>Older People</b>	15,712,457	19,639,727	19,741,690	17,170,533	19,532,508

4. How many adults with care and support needs received social care support in their own home or in the community? Please provide breakdown for people of working age and older people

Age Band	Unique client number
18-64	583
65+	932
<i>Position as at 31/12/2019</i>	

6. How many adults with care and support needs received support in residential placements over the last five years? Please provide a separate figure for those placed in facilities outside of the local authority. .

	Total	In Borough	Out of Borough	% OOB
15/16	994	772	222	22%
16/17	966	645	321	33%
17/18	910	607	303	33%
18/19	886	593	293	33%
19/20 - Apr-Dec	819	542	277	34%
<i>Planned activity in each period</i>				
<i>In/Out of Borough based on last open permanent placement in period</i>				
<i>Includes all permanent residential and nursing placements</i>				

If you have any questions, please contact me on 0203 045 3855 or [lorraine.kinx@xxxxxx.xxv.uk](mailto:lorraine.kinx@xxxxxx.xxv.uk).

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Or by email to [foi@bexley.gov.uk](mailto:foi@bexley.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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