

Derby City Council – Freedom of Information Response

Number 11244

Date: 23/04/2018

Questions:	Answers:
<p>1. Can you please explain your commissioning processes for providers of accommodation and/or support in respect to looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc.</p> <p>Do you spot purchase, have framework agreements or have block contracts in each of these categories?</p>	<p><b>We have 2 Frameworks in place in commissioning.</b> <b>The East Midlands Regional Children's Framework that we use to source residential placements and fostering placements.</b></p> <p><b>We have an Accommodation and Support Framework in place for 16/17 year olds that we source semi-independent placements. These include care leavers where necessary and UASC.</b></p> <p><b>DCC has an agreement in place for a housing offer/pathway for care-leavers with Derby Homes.</b></p> <p><b>We are also procuring a 5 bed block contract for 16/17 year olds who are at risk of homelessness or children in need, which will commence in May 2018.</b></p>
<p>2. If you have framework agreements and/or block contracts for accommodation and/or support in respect to looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc, please specify when each of these are due to be re-tendered?</p>	<p><b>The East Midlands Regional Children's Framework opens yearly in August for new providers and is due to be re-tendered in 2019/2020.</b></p> <p><b>The Accommodation and Support Framework for 16/17 year olds is due to be re-tendered in 2019.</b></p> <p><b>We also are procuring a 5 bed block contract for 16/17 year olds who are at risk of homelessness or children in need which will commence in May 2018.</b></p>
<p>3. Do organisations need to go through a pre-registration process to accommodate looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care</p>	<p><b>We source our placements in the first instance from the Frameworks, we rarely spot purchase placements.</b></p> <p><b>Any providers who we place with off</b></p>



leavers/uasc on a spot purchase basis?	<b>framework need to sign our off framework terms and conditions and undergo pre-placement quality assurance (Ofsted) and references.</b>
4. Do you have local authority run provisions for looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc?  If so, how many of each category are currently accommodated in these facilities?	<b>Derby City Council has six Residential Children's Homes.</b>  <b>Currently 24 children in care are placed in these six residential homes.</b>
5. Please specify the number of looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc accommodated currently via:	
a. spot purchase	<b>12</b>
b. framework agreements	<b>280</b>
c. block contracts	<b>0</b>
6. How many care leavers/uasc aged 16-17 years old and specified in the answer to question 4 are accommodated in residential children's homes?	<b>Of the 24 children in care highlighted in Q4 – 9 are aged 16-17 and accommodated in residential children's homes.</b>  <b>Care Leavers are not accommodated in residential children's homes as they are no longer in care.</b>  <b>None of the nine children aged 16-17 are UASC.</b>
7. What is the 2017/18 average weekly cost of placing a looked after child aged under 16 year in a private residential children's home?	<b>£3,726</b>
8. What is the 2017/18 average weekly cost of placing a care leavers/uasc child aged 16-17 in a private residential children's home?	<b>£4,272</b>
9. What is the 2017/18 average weekly cost of placing a care leavers/uasc child aged 16-17 in a 24/7 supervised semi-independent provision?	<b>£425</b>
10. What is the 2017/18 average weekly	<b>N/A as we do not place in semi-</b>



<p>cost of placing a care leavers/uasc child aged 16-17 in an unsupervised semi-independent provision?</p> <p>Please include the cost of floating support. Please advise if you do not place 16-17 year olds in an unsupervised semi-independent provision.</p>	<p><b>independent provision without a support element to the placement.</b></p>
<p>11. What is the 2017/18 average weekly cost of placing a care leavers/uasc aged 18-24 in a 24/7 supervised semi-independent provision?</p> <p>Please advise if you do not place 18-24 year olds in a supervised semi-independent provision.</p>	<p><b>We do not place care leavers in semi-independent we ensure offers of housing.</b></p>
<p>12. What is the 2017/18 average weekly cost of placing care leavers/uasc 18-24 year olds in an unsupervised semi-independent provision? Please include the cost of floating support.</p>	<p><b>N/A as we do not place in semi-independent provision without a support element to the placement.</b></p>
<p>13. Who should be approached within the council to discuss spot purchase commissioning, service provision, rates and referrals for accommodating looked after children in residential children's homes?</p> <p>Who is the specific named point of contact?</p>	<p><b>Catherine Young – Children in Care Commissioning Manager.</b></p>
<p>14. Who should be approached within the council to discuss spot purchase commissioning, service provision, rates and referrals for accommodating and/or supporting care leavers/uasc aged 16-17 years old?</p> <p>Who is the specific named point of contact?</p>	<p><b>Catherine Young – Children in Care Commissioning Manager.</b></p>
<p>15. Who should be approached within the council to discuss spot purchase commissioning, service provision, rates and referrals for accommodating and/or supporting care leavers/uasc aged 18-24 years old?</p> <p>Who is the specific named point of contact?</p>	<p><b>Catherine Young – Children in Care Commissioning Manager.</b></p>
<p>16. Who should be approached within the council to discuss framework</p>	<p><b>Catherine Young – Children in Care Commissioning Manager.</b></p>



<p>agreement/block purchase commissioning for accommodating looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc?</p> <p>Who is the specific named point of contact?</p>	
<p>17. Please can you provide me with a list of all of your current suppliers signed up to framework agreements/block purchase contracts for accommodating looked after children in residential care/looked after children in semi-independent placements/care leavers/uasc?</p>	<p><b>Details for both providers on the East Midlands Regional Childrens Framework and Derby City Supported Accommodation Framework can be found on:</b>  <a href="https://www.eastmidstenders.org/">https://www.eastmidstenders.org/</a></p>

