

Date: 13th September 2019 Our Ref: FOI 19 19951

The Fostering Network request-597607-84d64e56@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Ms Elliott

Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your Freedom of Information Request received on the 16th August 2019

Your request asked for the following information:

Your Request

Please could you tell me your 2019-20 weekly foster care allowances for young people age 16-18 years?

Please could you tell me your 2019-20 weekly allowances to former foster carers looking after young people in 18+ Staying Put arrangements, broken down by year 1, year 2, and year 3+ if necessary?

Council's Response

Please could you tell me your 2019-20 weekly foster care allowances for young people age 16-18 years?

£190.72 per week

2 Please could you tell me your 2019-20 weekly allowances to former foster carers looking after young people in 18+ Staying Put arrangements, broken down by year 1, year 2, and year 3+ if necessary?

£300.00 per week

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<u>Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)</u>

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The ICO's contact details are as follows: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF. More information can be found on the ICO's website at www.ico.org.uk

If you have any further queries about this matter then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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