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Dear Ms Hatcher,

## Re: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT (FOI) 2000 RESPONSE

Thank you for your request for information dated 14 October 2021. You requested the following information:

- 1. Please could you tell me your 2021-22 weekly foster care allowances for all age bands, NOT including any fee/reward element for foster carers.
- 2. Please detail any allowances that ALL foster carers can claim in addition to their weekly allowance, e.g. holiday allowance or mileage.
- 3. Please could you tell me your 2021-22 weekly allowances for former foster carers looking after young people in 18+ Staying Put arrangements, broken down by year 1, year 2, and year 3 if necessary.

## Response:

Age Group	Weekly (£)
0 – 10 years	308.14
11 – 17 years	386.80
Children with exceptionally complex needs 0 – 17 years	434.30
Children with exceptionally complex needs higher rate/remand 0-17 years	512.96
Staying Put standard rate	324.90

There are no extra allowances that ALL foster carer can claim in addition to their weekly allowance.

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Yours sincerely

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