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Date: 29 November 2019

Your reference:request-612394-37c9e62c@whatdotheyknow.com

Dear Mr Johnsen

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The total number of Looked After Children under your local authority care, where family members outside the United Kingdom were explored between January 2015 and December 2017 inclusive.

The total number of Looked After Children in the care of Brighton and Hove where family members outside the UK were explored between Jan 2015 and Dec 2017 was 7.

The number of Looked After Children under your local authority care that were subsequently placed outside the United Kingdom between January 2015 and December 2017 inclusive.

The number of Looked After Children in the care of Brighton and Hove that were placed outside the UK between Jan 2015 and Dec 2017 was less than 5.

***Note: if the number is very low (less than 5) the information cannot be disclosed as it could potentially identify the individuals involved which would constitute a breach of the data Protection Act 2018. Therefore, this information is exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 on the grounds that it is personal information. ***

The use of suppressing numbers under 5 is something that we routinely do in Children's Social Care in order to protect the identity of the child, both from external sources and also to ensure the child doesn't recognise themselves in the data.

The number and type of placement orders used for placing Looked After Children from your local authority care with family members abroad between January 2015 and December 2017 inclusive.

There were no placement orders used for placing children with family members abroad between Jan 2015 and Dec 2017.

Please quote the reference number 5077037 in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an Internal Review. Internal Review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original request, as per ICO Guidance <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/> and should be addressed to:

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The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Telephone: 01625 545 700
Website: www.ico.gov.uk

We will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely

Information Governance Officer