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**From:** [FOI Responses](#)

**Subject:** Freedom of Information Response - [REDACTED]

**Importance:** Normal

**Sensitivity:** None

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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 24<sup>th</sup> October 2024 for information about Looked After Children under the age of 16 Living in Unregulated accommodation. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

**Question 1:** How many of the council's Looked After Children under the age of 16 are currently living in unregulated accommodation? To clarify – unregulated accommodation refers to any property a Looked After Child is living at which isn't registered by Ofsted. These can include but not limited to boats, caravans, tents, air bnb's, booking.com properties, hotels, residential homes awaiting Ofsted registration and properties owned by the council.

**Response:**

It has been decided this information is exempt from disclosure under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information requested is third party personal data (i.e. personal data about someone other than you). 'a0 Section 40(2) provides that information which is third party personal data is exempt from disclosure if one of three conditions is satisfied. In this case, disclosure would contravene one of the data protection principles as the Council believes that the release of any such information and low figures in this regard could lead to the identification of an individual who otherwise would not expect their personal information to be released into the public domain.

**Question 2:** What was your total spend (staffing costs plus property costs) to home your looked after children under the age of 16 in this type of accommodation for the year 1st August 2023 to 31st July 2024.

**Response:** £1,140,905

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £49.00 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email [FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk)

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk) Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours sincerely,  
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Please treat the content of this e-mail as confidential. If you have received this e-mail and it is not addressed to you please accept my apologies and inform me as soon as possible.

-----Original Message-----

[REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2024 8:29 AM  
To: Freedom of Information Requests <[FOI.Requests@doncaster.gov.uk](mailto:FOI.Requests@doncaster.gov.uk)>  
Subject: Freedom of Information request - Looked After Children under the age of 16 Living in Unregulated accommodation

Caution! This message was sent from outside your organization.

Dear Doncaster Borough Council,

I hope you can help me with the below questions.

1. How many of the council's Looked After Children under the age of 16 are currently living in unregulated accommodation? To clarify – unregulated accommodation refers to any property a Looked After Child is living at which isn't registered by Ofsted. These can include but not limited to boats, caravans, tents, air bnb's, booking.com properties, hotels, residential homes awaiting Ofsted registration and properties owned by the council.
2. What was your total spend (staffing costs plus property costs) to home your looked after children under the age of 16 in this type of accommodation for the year 1st August 2023 to 31st July 2024.

Yours faithfully,

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