



I am submitting this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the current status of looked-after children under the care of your local authority.

Specifically, I am seeking data on:

Information provided at 17.04.2025 and for under 18yo placed in residential care.

1. Current Number of Looked-After Children

- Please provide the total number of children currently under the care of the local authority. 644 children

2. Breakdown of Placement Categories

- Solo Placements: The number of children currently in solo placements and the range of weekly fees associated with these placements, specifying the lowest and highest fees. The number of children in homes registered with Ofsted for one child = 4
- 1:1 Placements: The number of children receiving one-to-one care and the range of weekly fees for these placements, specifying the lowest and highest fees. The number of Wigan children in homes in receipt of 1:1 care = 35 (NB this could be standard level of support in SOP)
Lowest fee = £3690.00 per week
Highest fee = £6955.00 per week
- 2:1 Placements: The number of children receiving two-to-one care and the range of weekly fees for these placements, specifying the lowest and highest fees. The number of Wigan children in homes and in receipt of 2:1 care = 10 (NB this could be standard level of support in SOP)
Lowest fee = £5616.00 per week
Highest fee = £11895.00 per week

3. Unregulated Placements

- The number of children currently placed in unregulated accommodations. One young person is currently placed in unregulated accommodation. The cost of this is £21,000.00 per week
- The range of weekly fees for these unregulated placements, specifying the lowest and highest fees.