



**REQUEST 18182**

I'd be very grateful to know the following information:

1. Number of children currently in local authority care between the ages of 8-18yrs old
2. Numbers of children you are looking to move in to supported accommodation
3. Projected numbers for the coming 3-5 years
4. How many children you need to bring back in authority from hosting areas across the country
5. Your overall strategic plans for children's residential care for the coming 3-5 years
6. Average cost for an EBD placement currently.
7. Average cost for a solo placement currently
8. Average cost of a supported living placement + cost of average supported living package if these numbers are not included in the placement costs

**RESPONSE**

1. 450
2. We currently have 11 open referrals for children to move on to supported accommodation
3. We do not hold this information.
4. We have 20 children in SAILS provision outside the LA we do not have plans to bring all these children back. We cannot define each child's care plan as this could differ daily.
5. Please refer to our Commissioning sufficiency strategy via our website [Wigan.gov.uk](http://Wigan.gov.uk) : [Sufficiency Strategy 2025-2028](#)
6. Average weekly cost for an EBD placement (as of 03.07.25): £5,966.58.
7. Average weekly cost for a solo placement (as of 03.07.25): £7,987.90.
8. Average weekly cost for a supported living placement (as of 03.07.25): £1,709.64.