



Reference: FOI2266

**Request:**

I am writing in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act and request that you provide me with the following information

The questions are as follows;

1. Have you published the Local Offer for Care Leavers in accordance with Section 2 of the Social Work Act 2017?

**Yes**

2. Have you exempted Care Leavers from Council Tax?

**Yes**

3. Do care Leavers get free access to Leisure facilities as part of the Local Offer?

**Yes**

4. If Care Leavers get free access to Leisure Facilities can they take a friend free?

**Yes**

5. Have you ringfenced any apprentices for Care Leavers?

**No**

6. If you have ringfenced apprentices for Care Leavers, how many per year?

**Care leavers are guaranteed interviews for all local authority apprenticeships**

7. How many apprentices does you local authority provide each year?

**The number of externally recruited apprenticeships varies from year to year. However, it is generally between 20 - 30**

8. How many employees does your Local Authority employ? (this can be rounded up to save time)

**2553.26 FTE permanent workforce excluding schools**

9. Please send us an electronic version of the published version of your local offer in accordance with Section 2 of the Social Work Act 2017

**see attached**

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10. Please provide a website/url link to you published version of your Local Offer for Care Leavers in accordance with Section 2 of the Social Care Act 2017

<https://my.northtyneside.gov.uk/page/25196/local-offer-care-leavers>

11. Please provide your political leader contact details who is closest relevant in the corporate parenting capacity?

**Councillor Peter Earley**

11a Please provide the EMAIL ADDRESS of your political leader contact details who is closest relevant in the corporate parenting capacity?

**details available here:**

<https://democracy.northtyneside.gov.uk/mgUserInfo.aspx?UID=166>

12. Please provide the officer lead responsible for Leaving Care/Care Leaver Offer?

**Tracey Hopps Team Manager leaving Care**

12a Please provide the EMAIL ADDRESS of the officer lead responsible for Leaving Care/Care Leaver Offer?

**tracey.hopps@northtyneside.gov.uk**

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