



Reference: FOI4064

Request:

Under the freedom of information act I would like to know the following information.

1. How many children were taken into care in your County each year for the past 10 years?

This information is exempt from disclosure in response to this request under section 21, information accessible by other means, as it is published at:

<https://explore-education-statistics.service.gov.uk/find-statistics>

or

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-authority-interactive-tool-lait>

2. How many children in care in your county attempted or succeeded in committing suicide each year for the past 10 years?
3. How many children in your county in care were diagnosed with mental health issues each year for the past 10 years?
4. How many parents committed suicide in your county during or after social services involvement each year for the past 10 years ?
5. How many parents who had their children removed from them by social services in your county have been diagnosed with mental health issues each year in the past 10 years?

Questions 2-5 would require a manual check of over 2,500 records.

Therefore this part of the request is refused under s12 (1) Freedom of Information Act 2000, since the cost of complying would exceed the appropriate limit set out in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

In assessing the cost of complying, the costs attributable to officer time involved in complying have been considered. Such costs are limited to £450.00 under the Regulations, which equates to eighteen hours of officer time.

6. How many complaints have been filed against social services in your county each year for the past 10 years.

Please see attached spreadsheets

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