



Reference: RFI 1708058

Request:

I'm writing to request disclosure of information under the terms of the freedom of information act.

My request relates to Adoption Support Funding.

I would like to request the following;

- How many applications for funding awards from the Adoption Support Fund has your council received during the financial years 2015-16 and 2016-17?

2015-16 12 Applications

2016-17 60 Applications

ASF funding applications and awards May 2015 – 5th October 2016

- How many applications for Adoption Support Fund awards in excess of £5,000 were received between the introduction of the fund in May 2015 up until 5th October 2016 when the 'Fair Access Limit' was introduced?

For the period May 2015 to March 2016, North Tyneside Council received, approved and applied to the ASF on behalf of adoptors for 6 families, where claims exceeded £5,000 per family (it is not possible to provide the number of claims per child for this period, as some claims were made for sibling groups).

For the period April 2016 to 5th October 2016, North Tyneside Council received, approved and applied to the ASF on behalf of adoptors for 9 children, where cumulative claims exceeded £5,000 per child.

All of these 15 claims were approved by the Adoption Support Fund.

- How many applications for Adoption Support Fund awards in excess of £5,000 were approved by your council between May 2015 and 5th October 2016?

See response to Q1

- What was the total cost to your council of those awards in excess of £5,000 made between May 2015 and 5th October 2016

The total cost of the 15 applications was £109,795.14, which was fully funded by the Adoption Support Fund.

- **ASF 'Fair Access Limit' match funding from 6th October 2016 to date**

- How many applications for Adoption Support Fund awards in excess of the £5,000 'fair access limit' for therapy has your council received since 6th October 2016 to date?

No applications made for match funding.

- How many of those applications for awards in excess of £5,000 received since 6th October 2016 to date have been approved for match funding by your council? N/A

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- What is the total cost to your council of those match fund awards approved since 6th October 2016 to date?
N/A
- How many applications to your council for Adoption Support Fund awards in excess of the £5,000 'fair access limit' for therapy £5,000 since 6th October 2016 to date have been declined?
N/A
- What is the total value to your council of those match fund applications declined since 6th October 2016 to date?
N/A

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