

Local Authority:

Date:

1. Who, within the local authority, has commissioning responsibility for Fostering placements for Looked After Children? Please provide the following:

2. Please provide a list of the Fostering frameworks that the local authority uses to make placements, and any 'Tiers' (or similar) associated with that framework

Scotland Excel Fostering and Continuing Care Framework

3. Please provide a list of preferred Independent Fostering Agencies, whether the agency sits on or off framework, and the gross total expenditure with that agency in 2017/18

East Lothian Council (ELC) does not have any preferred agencies. We would in the first instance contact all agencies on the Scotland Excel Fostering and Continuing Care Framework and then we would contact agencies not on the framework. We would choose the best match for the child (often geography is a big factor) rather than the agency.

4. a. Please provide the current 2018/19 fee for foster parents

Rate
Level 1
Level 2
Level 3

4. b. Please provide the current 2018/19 amount given for basic fostering allowances

Age Range
0 to 4
5 to 10
11 to 13
14 to 15
16 to 18

5. Please provide the following information related to Fostering placements for Looked After Children. Please provide actual figures for years 2013/14 to 2017/18, as well as predicted figures for 2018/19.

a. The number of Looked After Children cared for by a foster carer provided by the Council

b. The number of Looked After Children cared for by a foster carer arranged through an Independent Fostering Agency

*ELC does not hold predicted figures. In view of this, under Section 17(1)(b) of the Act, I must formally advise you that ELC has been unable to comply with this part of your request as the information you require is not held.

6. What is the gross total expenditure on fostering services for Looked After Children?

Gross Total Expenditure

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If data for 2018/19 is not available, please provide predicted, estimated or appropriate

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Fostering framework	
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Preferred Independent Fostering Agencies	0

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Weekly Rate	Daily Rate
£151.50	£21.64
£202.00	£28.86
£303.00	£43.29

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Clothing	Pocket Money	Maintenance Element
£15.28	£1.91	£97.26
£20.68	£5.42	£107.60
£27.88	£8.89	£121.21
£28.89	£12.95	£121.90
£32.74	£20.38	£146.99

2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
79	76	76
12	12	15

2013/14	2014/15	2015/16
£2,112,656.33	£2,189,047.79	£2,307,370.52

ed, negotiated or budgeted figures where

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Tiers

n/off framework	Gross total expenditure in 2017/18

Standard Rate
£114.45
£133.70
£157.98
£163.74
£200.11

2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
83	97	*
12	10	*

2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
£2,211,909.80	#####	£2,311,320.00