

## **Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Independent Foster Care Services**

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

**You asked for:**

**Copy of the documents containing the following information:**

- **Details of the lowest, highest and average fee rates agreed with suppliers of Independent Foster Care Services**

**Please provide the information for the current and previous year, and confirm the percentage increase in weekly fee rates, which were awarded to the previous year's levels, to arrive at the current hourly amounts paid to care providers. If there is a framework agreement in place, please give details of the rates of each tier.**

Answer:

To date (2014-15):

Current weekly rates paid for Independent Fostering Agencies (IFA)

£874.25

£874.25

£840.60

£708.82

£668.64

£621.88

£621.88

£677.74

£658.00

£721.00

£542.19

£794.99

£795.00

£795.00

£693.55

£679.25

£679.25

£677.74

£765.00

£700.56

£668.64

£693.55

£346.77

£754.32

£754.32

£911.42

£721.00

£950.00

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£721.00  
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£721.00  
£518.00  
£715.00  
£959.43  
£725.00  
£742.00  
£795.00  
£721.00  
£756.00  
£721.00  
£826.00  
£721.00

Of which average is £756.18, lowest £346.77, highest £1,382.88.

Period 13-14:

Previous IFA rates paid

£874.25  
£874.25  
£840.60  
£765.00  
£708.82  
£700.56  
£668.64  
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£697.48  
£865.00  
£874.25  
£724.00  
£787.65  
£542.19  
£737.45  
£838.08  
£721.00  
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£754.32  
£939.65  
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£752.01  
£756.00  
£752.01  
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£756.00  
£630.87  
£721.00  
£721.00  
£742.00  
£715.00  
£715.00  
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£850.00  
£721.00  
£699.51  
£699.51  
£703.49

£715.00  
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£742.00  
£518.00  
£715.00  
£525.00  
£721.00  
£754.32  
£725.00  
£976.00  
£721.00  
£752.01  
£380.43  
£721.00

Of which average is £737.87, lowest £380.43 highest £1,382.88.

We have no Framework agreement in place.  
We have not agreed any uplifts.

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If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request please write to:

**Information Governance Manager**  
**Information and Support**  
**Leicester City Council**  
**Bosworth House**  
**9 – 15 Princess Road West**  
**LEICESTER LE1 6TH**  
e-mail: [info.requests@leicester.gov.uk](mailto:info.requests@leicester.gov.uk)

Your request for internal review should be submitted to the above address within 40 (forty) working days of receipt by you of this response. Any such request received after this time will only be considered at the Council's absolute discretion.

You may also seek independent advice from the Information Commissioner at:

**Information Commissioner's Office**  
**Wycliffe House**  
**Water Lane**  
**Wilmslow SK9 5AF**  
**Telephone: 01625 545 700**  
[www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk](http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk)

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