

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

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

You asked:

Can you please:

- 1. Provide the number of qualified social workers supplied through recruitment agencies, analysed by Children and Adult services**

Service	Job Title	Number
Adults Services	Qualified Social Worker Level 3	5
Children and Young People's Services	Qualified Social Worker Level 3	6
Grand Total		11

- 2. Provide information on the number of in-house residential units, day care centres and supported living settings currently using agency care / support workers, their locations, also analysed by Children's and Adult Services**

Please find below two tables (Adults Services, and Children & Young People's Services) showing the operational units/centres at which agency care/support workers are currently deployed.

Adults Services

Work Location
Abbey House EPH
Arbor House EPH
Brookside Court (Reablement Home)
Cooper House EPH
Douglas Bader Centre
Elizabeth House EPH
Hastings Road Day Centre
Herrick Lodge EPH
Layton House
Nuffield House EPH
Preston Lodge EPH
Thurncourt EPH

N.B. "EPH" refers to Elderly Persons' Home.

Children and Young People's Services

Work Location (Sessional Day Services)
Babington Community Technology College

Work Location (Sessional Day Services)
Bishopdale Smartstart Nursery
Braunstone Frith Children's Centre
Community Home 3 (Rushey Mead)
Community Home 4 (Netherhall)
Community Home 5 (Rowlatts Hill)
Hamilton Our Place (After School Club)
Hamilton Playgroup
Home Farm PlayGroup
Magpie Youth Centre
Mayfield Children & Family Centre
Mowmacre Adventure Playground
North Evington Children Centre
Northfields and Humberstone sure start
Rowlatts Hill Children Centre
Rowley Field Children Centre
Sandfield Preschool
SPICE Preschool
Surestart Beaumont Leys Childrens Centre
Thurnby Lodge Childrens Centre
Tudor Pre-School
Woodbridge Children's Centre
10 York Road

Whilst the council does have supported living properties where it is the landlord, we do not directly provide the actual care provision at these supported living properties. The care provision is provided by external suppliers. There are therefore no agency care or care support workers deployed by the council at our supported living properties.

3. Advise which of question 2 are expected to be closed in 2012?

Children's Services

Neither of the children's residential units listed in response to your question 2 are expected to close in 2012.

There are no plans to close any of the Council's Sure Start centres or nurseries.

Adult Services

Residential Care Homes

The council carried out a consultation on the future of its elderly persons' homes last year and the results of the consultation are available on the Leicester City Council website:

<http://consultations.leicester.gov.uk/feedback.aspx?Con1=383>.

No decisions on the future of the council's elderly persons' homes have yet been made. The budget proposals, on which the council is currently asking

for views, are still subject to a final decision by the City Mayor and his cabinet.

Day Services

The council has just published its budget proposals for the next three years. It is now starting to consult people on those proposals, which cover all of the council's services and activities.

Within these proposals there is a large section on the budgets for the council's adult social care services and this includes some budget proposals for council-run day services.

No decisions on the future of the day services have yet been made and the inclusion of a budget line on day services in the 'Proposed Adult Social Care Budget for 2012-2015' does not mean that their future has been decided.

The budget proposals, on which the council is currently asking for views, are still subject to a final decision by the City Mayor and his cabinet. Future decisions about day care services will be subject to consultation.

3. Provide an organogram showing the Social Services Departments within the Council

Please find attached at Appendix A our current structure for Children & Young People's Social Care & Safeguarding

Please find attached at Appendices B, C and D structure charts showing the 3 Adult Social Care division; Care Management, Care Services and the Strategic Commissioning division.

Appendices C and D show only the top level structure within the 2 divisions concerned. No current organogram is held depicting the operational teams and units within these divisions. To this extent, this is a Refusal Notice under Section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, because in accordance with Section 1.1 of the Act this information is not held.

The Senior Management structure of the council is currently subject to review and therefore no organogram is available to depict this. However reporting lines for the senior management structure in Adults, and Children & Young People's social care are as follows:

- Our Director of Children & Young People's Social Care & Safeguarding reports to the Strategic Director (Education & Children's Services).
- Our Director of Care Management, Director of Care Services and Strategic Commissioning and Interim Director of Care Services all report to our Strategic Director (Adults & Communities).
- The Strategic Directors report to the Head of Paid Service, who in turn reports to the City Mayor.

To the extent that there is no structure chart depicting reporting lines for our current social services senior management within the Council, this is a Refusal Notice under Section 17.1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, because in accordance with Section 1.1 of the Act this information is not held.

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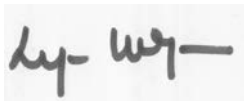
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynn Wyeth", is enclosed in a light gray rectangular box.

Lynn Wyeth
Information Governance Manager