

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:

1. The number of young carers - those known to look after one or both of their parents, grand parents, or their siblings - currently in the Leicester area.

274

2. The age of the youngest carer that is currently known to you.

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3. The amount of money the council allocates for carers

CareFree

2009-10 - £88,395

2010-11 - £88,395

2011-12 - £88,395 contract presently expires 30 June 2012.

Also for 2010-11 Yoppitalwonga, £20k and £2k from small grants

Also for 2011-12 £2.5k from small grants

4. The amount of money the council has given to help young people care for one or both of their parents, grand parents or siblings.

As above

5. I would like this information for the financial years: 2009/10; 2010/11; 2011/12; 2012/13.

As above

6. Policies on helping young carers make sure they take breaks.

There are no policies but we have a strategy group responsible for progression of the Memorandum of Understanding, the Performance Indicators in the Children and Young People's Plan and the new activity line for Young Carers.

Barnardos finances and runs 3 Young Carer respite groups in the city for 8-12's and one for 6-8's. We run a further 6 groups for over 12's in partnership with other providers, 4 of which are run in partnership with statutory Youth Services (Youth services providing in kind funding to the sum of £14k in terms of staffing and room hire).

7. Whether your council receives any of the £400m the government has made available for 'young carers breaks' as outlined by the Care Services minister [<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-11757907>]

Funding was allocated to the health department for carer breaks; this was not specifically for young carers. Leicester City Council will receive an element of this funding and is currently considering how such funding should be allocated, with young carer breaks being a priority area.

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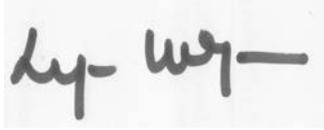
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lynn Wyeth', is written on a light-colored rectangular background.

Lynn Wyeth
Information Governance Manager