

## 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. Does your local authority operate any residential children's homes? If so, how many? Please provide figures for each of the last 3 financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12).**

2009/10: 5 Homes.

2010/11: 5 Homes.

2011/12: 5 Homes.

- 2. How many children's homes are run by the private or voluntary sector within your LEA area? Please provide figures for each of the last 3 financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12).**

1 for each financial year requested

- 3. How much did the LEA spend on housing children in residential children's homes run by the private or voluntary sector (i.e. not by the LA or local health trust) in each of the last 3 financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12)? Please provide a breakdown by company/organisation.**

#### **2009/10**

Educare – £817,513

Castlecare – £343,546

New Reflections – £114,805

Total Care Matters – £155,985

Wilderness Way – £44,182

24/7 – £38,400

Keys Childcare – £59,580

Wycar Leys – £32,201

Archway Care – £81,828

Buckey House (Rebound) – £17,000

Direct Care – £101,120

Care Today – £35,200

#### **2010/11**

Educare – £836,971

Castlecare – £294,641

Total Care Matters – £159,035

24/7 – £100,114

Keys Childcare – £90,857

Care Today – £106,570

New Reflections – £58,954

**2011/12**

Educare –£ 1,425,298  
Castlecare – £297,623  
Keys Childcare– £207,785  
Corner House (New Futures)– £126,645  
Zenith Childcare– £77,071  
Total Care Matters – 58,564  
Inspirations Care– £34,714  
Direct Care – £15,830  
24/7 – £24,960  
Care Today – £25,200

4. What was your LEA net cost of housing children in residential homes in each of the last 3 financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12)?

	<b>Within Local Authority Homes</b>	<b>Within Private &amp; Voluntary Homes</b>
<b>2009/10:</b>	£4,863,800	£1,841,360.00
<b>2010/11:</b>	£4,813,000	£1,647,142.00
<b>2011/12:</b>	£5,295,000	£2,293,690.00

5. Do you have any projected figures for this net cost/budget (housing children in residential homes ) for either of the next 2 financial years (2012/13 and 2013/14)? If so, please provide them.

	<b>Within Local Authority Homes</b>	<b>Within Private &amp; Voluntary Homes</b>
<b>2012/13:</b>	£5,183,000	We are unable to give projected figures.
<b>2013/14:</b>	£5,286,600	

6. Of the total children's residential placements made within each of the last 3 financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12), how many were placed within the local authority boundary and how many were placed outside the local authority boundary? Please provide a breakdown as to whether the homes were operated by the LEA/health trust, private company or voluntary sector? Please provide figures for each year separately. I've set out a table below to try to clearly illustrate the information I am looking for.

Year	Within boundary			Outside boundary		
	LEA operated	Privately operated	Voluntary sector	LEA operated	Privately operated	Voluntary sector
2009/10	36			0	20	
2010/11	36			0	18	
2011/12	34			0	31	

7. For each placement outside the local authority boundary, please give the name of the local authority where the placement was made. If you cannot do this please give the region (i.e. London/South East/North West etc). Please do this for each of the last 3 financial years.

**2009/10**

7 in Leicestershire  
1 in Somerset  
1 in Barnsley  
1 in Newark  
1 in Staffordshire  
1 in Peterborough  
1 in Carlisle  
1 in Stoke  
2 in Northamptonshire  
1 in Nottinghamshire  
3 in Shropshire

**2010/11**

11 in Leicestershire  
2 in Barnsley  
1 in Somerset  
1 in Newark  
1 in Derbyshire  
1 in Doncaster  
1 in Shropshire

**2011/12**

25 in Leicestershire  
1 in Cambridgeshire  
1 in Barnsley  
1 in Nottinghamshire  
1 in Gloucestershire  
1 in Peterborough  
1 in Lancashire

8. How many placements of children from other local authorities have ended up in residential homes within your local authority

boundary? Please provide figures for each of the last three financial years (2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12). If possible, please detail which LEA they were sent from, and whether the homes in your local authority boundary are/were operated by the LEA/health trust, private company or voluntary sector.

	Within Local Authority Homes	Within Private & Voluntary Homes
2009/10:	0	1
2010/11:	0	2
2011/12:	0	

**N.B. If you do not have figures for 2011/12 please provide figures for the most recent 3 years where data is available.**

#### Answer

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**LEICESTER LE1 6ZG**

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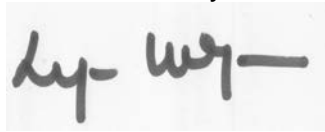
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Yours sincerely

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**Lynn Wyeth**

**Information Governance Manager**