

FOI Answers

<b>Local Authority:</b>	Moray Council
<b>Date:</b>	23 September 2024

1. Please could you supply the name, job title, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for Looked After Children and/or placements in children's care homes.	Name	Job title	Telephone No.	Email Address
	Jim Lyon	Interim Chief Social Work Officer/Head of Service is Jim Lyon		<a href="mailto:socialwork.managementteam@moray.gov.uk">socialwork.managementteam@moray.gov.uk</a>

2. Please provide the total number of children looked after by the local authority (please include all placements at any point throughout the financial year).	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
LAC	182	178	177	185	

3. Please provide the local authority's total expenditure on placements for looked after children in regulated children's homes (this is the total spend on all looked after children and should exclude expenses related to travel, social work visits etc).	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Annual expenditure on LAC in children's homes	£2,801,977	£2,558,495	£3,184,209	£3,174,063	£3,478,223

4. Of the total number of children looked after by the local authority (q.2) please provide the number of placements in children's homes (not including unregulated children's homes, secure units or hostels)	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Total number of children in children's homes	6	9	7	12	

5. Of the total number of children looked after by the local authority in regulated children's homes (q.4) please provide the number placed inside the local authority boundary (in area) and the number placed outside the local authority boundary (out of area). Please exclude unregulated children's homes.	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
In area children's home placements	5	7	4	5	
Out of area children's home placements					

6. Of the number of children looked after by the local authority in regulated children's homes, please provide the number of children looked after by the local authority in:	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
In area, local authority provision	1	3	0	2	
Out of area, local authority provision	0	0	0	0	
In area, private provision	5	4	4	3	
Out of area, private provision	2	4	5	7	

7. Please provide the highest, average (mean), and lowest weekly fee currently paid for LAC in a regulated children's home (please include all placements in regulated children's homes, including those in and outside of the local authority boundary, as well as those operated by the local authority, the independent sector, and others).	Lowest	Average	Highest
	6,900	4,280	3,078