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Police call outs to children's homes

Part 1

Please provide the number of times the PSNI was called out to children's homes in your Trust area for 2017-2022. Please break this down by home and by year. The name of the home can be redacted.

Part 2

If possible under FOI cost and other exceptions, please also provide how many call outs led to arrests, broken down in the same format as above.

Part 3

If possible under FOI cost and other exceptions, please also provide a reason for the call out. This could be broken down i.e. *(i) away from placement without authorisation (i) missing; (ii) alleged criminal offences; (iii) safeguarding incidents; (iv) other*

For questions 1-3 we cannot provide this element of your request as this information was not possible to attain within the timeframe. This information is not centrally held.

To undertake this exercise would necessitate a manual interrogation of data which would involve a significant number of hours. This would exceed the costs limit specified in the FOI act. If you wish to consider refining your request you can send in a new request.

Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information 2000, the limit has been specified as £450 and represents the estimated cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information.

Part 4

Please provide a copy of any protocols or guidance/policy documents you have in dealing with call outs to children's homes.

Note - Please only provide what is possible under the relevant FOI exemptions. I.e. if it is only possible to answer part 1, disregard the other parts to the query.

Please find attached the Missing from Care Protocol from June 2015.

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Please note that where redactions have been made, this information is exempt from release under S40(2) Personal Information relating to a third party

With regards to Individuals signatures and individuals names not employees of the Trust, this information is exempt under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which relates to personal information relating to a third party. Information of a personal nature is exempt from release where its disclosure would leave individuals open to identity theft and where its disclosure would constitute a breach of the principles of the GDPR 2018.