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Looked After Children Citizenship

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information in relation to Looked After Children within your local authority.

1. **The number of Looked After Children within your local authority who were identified as having a British citizenship, each calendar year between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

Response attached in separate Excel Spreadsheet.

2.
 - a. **The number of Looked After Children within your local authority who were identified as having a non-British citizenship, each calendar year between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

Response attached in separate Excel Spreadsheet.

- b. **The citizenships of those Looked After Children who were listed as non-British, each calendar year between January 2020 – December 2022.**

Response attached in separate Excel Spreadsheet.

3. **The total number of Looked After Children within your local authority, who were identified as having family members outside of the United Kingdom who could act as potential carers for the child in question, for each calendar year between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

In relation to this question, please include both:

- ***Children where an assessment of a family member outside the UK was considered but not actually carried out; and***
- ***Children where an assessment of a family member outside the UK was carried out.***

We are not able to provide the information requested. Due to low numbers of <5, we consider that individuals could be identified and disclosure of this information would breach the first data protection principle, which relates to the fair and lawful processing of personal data. Therefore, we have concluded that this information is exempt from disclosure under FOI Act Section 40(2) Personal Information relating to a third party.

In addition the Trust has taken into account the fact that all information disclosed in response to an FOI is disclosed to the 'world at large' and is published on the

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Trust website. The Trust does not consider the disclosure of this information to be fair to the individuals concerned as there is the potential risk of identification of an individual(s) which they would not expect, and which would therefore breach the fairness element of the first principle of the Data Protection Act 2018.”

- 4. The number of Looked After Children under your local authority care who were placed with family members outside the United Kingdom for each calendar year between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

As question 3

- 5. The numbers and types of court orders used to place Looked After Children from your local authority care with family members outside the United Kingdom for each calendar year between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

- a) **Child Arrangements Orders**
- b) **Special Guardianship Orders**
- c) **Care Orders / Interim Care Orders**
- d) **Other (please specify)**
- e) **No order**

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- 6. The number of Looked After Children provided with post-placement support services by the local authority following a placement with a family member / kinship carer outside of the UK, including financial support for their carers between January 2020 - December 2022 inclusive.**

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