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I can confirm that the information requested is held by Birmingham Children's Trust. I have detailed below the information that is being released to you.

1) The number of young people aged 16-17 placed in supported accommodation in: 2022/23, 2023/24 & 2024/25 (to date)?

	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025 to 03-02-2026
Q1	170	157	183	166

2) Local Sufficiency: Of these placements, how many were: In-county & Out-of-county?

	FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025 to 03-02-2026
Q2 In	127	120	137	131
Q2 Out	43	37	46	35

3) The average weekly cost of supported accommodation placements for 16-17-year-olds in: 2023/24 & 2024/25 (to date)?

	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025 to date
Average weekly cost (£)	1,555.05	1,640.02	1,505.44

4) The number of 16-17 supported accommodation placements that ended early or broke down during: 2023/24 & 2024/25 (to date)?

FY 2022-23	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025 to 03-02-2026
46	57	58	81

5) Whether the local authority anticipates increased, stable, or reduced demand for 16-17 supported accommodation over the next 2-3 years? If the information is already publicly available, please direct me to the relevant source.

BCT anticipates up to 10% growth in its children in care population over the next few years, in line with national trends. The pattern is children are entering care later and so a proportion of these care entries may be older and therefore could require supported accommodation. However, we do not anticipate a sharp or sudden change in demand from current levels. BCT will imminently be publishing its revised Sufficiency Strategy through to 2028.

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The Information Commissioner's Office

Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

Yours sincerely,

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Disclosure Officer

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