



Our ref: 82722465
10 April 2026

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

- 1) Please provide the highest annual amount paid in the 2025/26 financial year for an individual child's placement in either children's homes, unregulated homes or residential special schools? Please state the nature of the placement e.g. children's home. Please provide the total annual cost if the child has been placed in multiple placements. Please include all costs including all care and education costs, per child placement.**

£1,079,509 is the highest annual amount paid from 1 Apr 25 – 19 Mar 26 for an individual child across multiple residential placements (all children's homes).

- 2) Please provide the highest weekly amount paid in the 2025/26 financial year for an individual child's placement in either children's homes, unregulated homes or residential special schools? Please state the nature of the placement e.g. children's home. Please include all costs including all care and education costs, per child placement.**

£43,486 is the highest weekly amount paid in the time period for an individual child's placement, this was in a children's home. This was paid for a 9 day period only at the end of a placement.

- 3) Please provide the highest weekly amount paid in the financial year up to the date this request is supplied - for an individual child's placement in either children's homes, unregulated homes or residential special schools? Please state the nature of the placement e.g. children's home. Please include all costs including all care and education costs, per child placement.**
- 4) If known, please provide any mitigating reasons for any high costs (e.g. 4-to-1 care) if you believe it to be relevant. Please provide the response in the response template, if possible.**

The questions above will be answered together.

£43,486 is the highest weekly amount paid in the time period for an individual child's placement – this was for a 9 day period at the end of the placement.

This was in a children's home for a YP on a DOLS – the breakdown of this cost included: core cost, 2 block beds, and for the 9 day period, funding for a total of 4 day staff, 3 night wake and 2 sleep in staff.

Please quote the reference number **82722465** in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with our response to your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days from the date this authority issued its initial response. Please outline which part of the response you are not happy with setting out your reasons. This request should be addressed to:

Corporate Information Governance Team
PO Box 16366
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Email: infogovernance@birmingham.gov.uk

If you are still dissatisfied with the Birmingham Childrens Trust's response after the internal review you have a right of appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office

Website: www.ico.org.uk

I will now close your request as of this date.

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