

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)

Decision notice

Date: 14 June 2024

Public Authority: London Borough of Hackney Council

Address: Town Hall
Mare Street
London
E8 1EA

Request:

The complainant requested the following information from London Borough of Hackney Council on 20 January 2024:

"As of 22.01.2024, How many children in your local authority are on a Child Protection (CP) Plan

As of 22.01.2024, How many Children in Care (CIC/LAC) are there in your local authority?

As of 22.01.024, How many Independent Reviewing Officers (IROs) and Child Protection Chairs does your local authority currently employ?

Please share the latest IRO service annual report"

Commissioner's Decision:

A public authority will breach section 10 of FOIA if it fails to respond to a request within 20 working days. Based on evidence available to the Commissioner, by the date of this notice the public authority has not issued a substantive response to this request. Therefore the Commissioner finds a breach of section 10.

Steps:

The public authority must provide a substantive response to the request in accordance with its obligations under FOIA.

The public authority must take this step within 30 calendar days of the date of this decision notice. Failure to comply may result in the Commissioner making written certification of this fact to the High Court pursuant to section 54 of FOIA and may be dealt with as a contempt of court.

Right of Appeal:

Either party has the right to appeal against this decision notice to the First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights). Information about the appeals process may be obtained from:

First-tier Tribunal (Information Rights)
GRC & GRP Tribunals,
PO Box 9300,
LEICESTER,
LE1 8DJ

Tel: 0203 936 8963

Fax: 0870 739 5836

Email: grc@justice.gov.uk

Website: www.justice.gov.uk/tribunals/general-regulatory-chamber

Any Notice of Appeal should be served on the Tribunal within 28 (calendar) days of the date on which this decision notice is sent.

**Information Commissioner
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