

Local Authority:	Moray Council
Date:	13.03.2025

1. Please could you supply the name, job title, telephone number and email address of the commissioner with responsibility for Looked After Children and/or placements in children's homes	Name	Job title	Telephone number	Email address
		Service Manager: Polcy, Development and Commissioning	N/A	cfcommissioning@moray.gov.uk

2. Of the number of children looked after by the local authority on 31 March, please provide the number in regulated children's homes (excluding unregulated children's homes, secure units and hostels)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
In regulated children's homes	27	26	28	29 (end Feb 2026)

3. Of the number of children looked after by the local authority on 31 March in regulated children's homes (Q2), please provide the number placed inside the local authority boundary (in-area) and the number placed outside the local authority boundary (out-of-area)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
In in-area regulated children's homes	16	16	12	10
In out-of-area regulated children's homes	11	10	16	19

4. Of the number of children looked after by the local authority on 31 March in regulated children's homes, please provide the number in:	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
(a) In-area regulated children's homes operated by the local authority	4	6	5	2
(b) Out-of-area regulated children's homes operated by the local authority	0	0	0	0
(c) In-area regulated children's homes operated by the private/voluntary sector	12	10	7	8
(d) Out-of-area regulated children's homes operated by the private/voluntary sector	11	10	16	19

5. Please provide the local authority's total expenditure on placements for Looked After Children in regulated children's homes during the financial year ending 31 March. Expenditure should exclude expenses related to travel, social work visits, travel arrangements/accommodation for contact visits from relatives/guardians, and non-staff transport costs	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
Total annual expenditure on placing Looked After Children in children's homes	£ 3,514,704	£ 3,491,311	£ 4,532,318	£ 5,743,091

6. For the current financial year ending 31 March 2026 or as recent as possible (provide date), please provide the highest, average (mean), and lowest weekly fees currently paid by the local authority for placements for Looked After Children in regulated children's homes. Please include data across all placements in regulated children's homes, independent of whether they are made in-area or out-of-area and in local authority or private/voluntary sector provision	Lowest weekly fee	Average (mean) weekly fee	Highest weekly fee	
2025/26 or as recent as possible (provide date)	3,259	5,614	7,689	2025/26

7. Please provide the total number of children (children looked after and children in need) accessing short-break-only children's homes on 31 March	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26
In short-break-only children's homes	7	8	5	4