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Department: **Hertfordshire County Council (Not Hertsmere Borough Council)**  
Title: **Return home interviews**  
Description: **Return home interviews and looked after children**

**Request:** *(As Redacted sent by requestor)*

Dear Local Authority,

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from local authority:

- 1) Which organisation (if any) does the local authority commission to deliver Return Home Interviews for children who have been missing?
- 2) How many Return Home Interviews were offered by your local authority (or commissioned service) from 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019?
- 3) How many Return Home Interviews were delivered by your local authority (or commissioned service) from 1st April 2018 to 31st March 2019? (i.e. the child was actually interviewed)
- 4) How many times was child criminal exploitation (CCE), such as county lines, raised as an issue in these Return Home Interviews?
- 5) Are Return Home Interviews only offered to Looked After Children, or are there other groups that are eligible for Return Home Interviews? If so, please list eligible groups.

Please provide the information via email.

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in Section 12, please provide advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request.

If you can identify any ways that my request could be refined I would be grateful or any further advice and assistance.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me via email and I will be very happy to clarify what I am asking for and discuss the request, my details are outlined below.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to your response.

Best wishes,

**Response:** *(Response as Redacted sent by service)*

Thank you for your query.

Hertfordshire is a two tier area and this service is not provided at a district level but by the County Council.

Therefore, please refer your FOI request to Hertfordshire County Council who will be able to help you.

Kind regards  
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