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Thank you for your request received on 12 August 2021, for the following information:

Following the UK's departure from the EU, all EU, European Economic Area (EEA) and Swiss citizens who want to live in the UK need to apply for a new immigration status. The EU Settlement Scheme (EUSS) has been set up to grant this status. Everyone, including children, must make an individual applications. Local authorities need to identify all children and young people who are in their care, on the edge of care or have left care, who need to make an application under the EU Settlement Scheme. This includes EU, European Economic Area (EEA) and Swiss national children, or children who may be able to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member.

Please can you send me information for each of the following points?

1. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area are EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be eligible to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member as of 30 June 2021?

2. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area are EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be eligible to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member as of 31st July 2021?

3. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have in total were supported to undertake an EU Settlement Scheme application during the life of the scheme (between March 2019- 30 June 2021)?

(This relates to EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be able to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member).

4. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have received a status (including where possible a breakdown of how many have received settled and how many have received pre-settled status or other outcomes where relevant) under the EU Settlement Scheme between March 2019- June 2021?

5. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have been supported to undertake a late application to the EU Settlement Scheme to date i.e., supported to make an application after 30 June 2021?

6. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area were supported to submit an application before the deadline (i.e., June 30, 2021) but have not received a status (settled or pre settled status) as of 10th August 2021?

7. Do you routinely record the nationality of looked after children or care leavers in your local authority area?

(The above questions relate to EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be able to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member).

I would like the above information to be provided to me as paper or electronic copies.

If this request is too wide or unclear, I would be grateful if you could contact me as I understand that under the Act, you are required to advise and assist requesters. If any of this information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

If the release of any of this information is prohibited on the grounds of breach of confidence, I ask that you supply me with copies of the confidentiality agreement and remind you that information should not be treated as confidential if such an agreement has not been signed.

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below.

1 . How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area are EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be eligible to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member as of 30 June 2021?

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2. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area are EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be eligible to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member as of 31st July 2021?

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3. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have in total were supported to undertake an EU Settlement Scheme application during the life of the scheme (between March 2019- 30 June 2021)?

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(This relates to EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children,

or children who may be able to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member).

4. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have received a status (including where possible a breakdown of how many have received settled and how many have received pre-settled status or other outcomes where relevant) under the EU Settlement Scheme between March 2019- June 2021?

Settled Status - 17

Pre-Settled Status - 4

5. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area have been supported to undertake a late application to the EU Settlement Scheme to date i.e., supported to make an application after 30 June 2021?

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6. How many looked after children or care leavers in your authority area were supported to submit an application before the deadline (i.e., June 30, 2021) but have not received a status (settled or pre settled status) as of 10th August 2021?

2 - yet to receive settled or pre-settled status.

7. Do you routinely record the nationality of looked after children or care leavers in your local authority area?

Yes

(The above questions relate to EU, European Economic Area (EEA), Swiss national children, or children who may be able to apply for the Settlement Scheme through a family member).

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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