Further to your Information request FOI64172 please find your questions and our responses below:

Dr George Hibbert is a psychiatrist who has been contracted by a number of UK councils to undertake parenting assessments of families involved with social services.

Usually this arrangement would have been agreed between all four parties involved in the legal proceedings – CAFCASS, the local authority, the family and the court, and the resulting cost split four ways between these parties.

Please could you provide the following information for each of the last ten years, individually for each year (financial year or calendar year is fine, whichever is more convenient) –

1. How many families were referred to Dr George Hibbert, and/or his Assessment centre, Assessment in Care (otherwise known as Windmill House or Tadpole Cottage in Blunsdon, near Swindon) by your social services department?

Response: None.

2. What were the ages of children referred to Dr George Hibbert, and/or his Assessment centre, Assessment in Care (otherwise known as Windmill House or Tadpole Cottage in Blunsdon, near Swindon) by your social services department?

Response: N/A

3. a) What was the total amount paid by your Council to Dr George Hibbert, and/or his Assessment centre, Assessment in Care (otherwise known as Windmill House or Tadpole Cottage in Blunsdon, near Swindon) for each of those years?

Response: Nil.

b) Did the council pay the total bill for his services and if not, please specify what proportion of the money was paid by the council (eg one third, half, one quarter, etc.)

Response: N/A.

This concludes your request FOI64172.

If you require translation of the information you have been sent please do not hesitate the contact us.

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Yours sincerely

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