Further to your Information request FOI65998 please find your questions and our responses below:

1. For the year ending 31 March 2013: how many children were there aged 19 years old who were looked after when aged 16:
   a. who were female; **Six**
   b. who, to the knowledge of the local authority, had a pregnancy resulting in a live birth, either during that year or in previous years.
      **Two**
   [the cohort under question is the same as that in *Children looked after in England, including adoption*, Table LAF1, found here]

2. Is it currently standard practice for looked after children (excluding those who fall under the designation of a ‘relevant child’ as defined in section 23A(2) of the 1989 Children Act) to be appointed a Personal Advisor:
   a. on or before their sixteenth birthday?
   b. on or before their seventeenth birthday?
   c. on or before their eighteenth birthday?
   If there are different standard practices for different cohorts (for example, relating to stage of education, training or employment), please outline these.
   On or before 18th birthday, or when they are a relevant care leaver, which could be 16.

3. With reference to Appendix A, clause A.3 of The Children Act 1989 Guidance and Regulations Volume 3: since 1 April 2011, has the leaving care service ever designated a young person’s former foster carer as Personal Advisor ‘even though they may not possess the usual skillset’. 
   **No.**

4. Within the leaving care team, are there any personnel for whom specialist knowledge or experience regarding education, training or employment was required on the point of hiring i.e. specified within their job description? If not, have any such personnel been employed within the leaving care service at any point since the beginning of 2010?
   *Corporate Parenting Officer. Our Directions team (Education, Employment & Training) has specialist roles for Looked After Children. Our Ways Into Work team offer a service for those with disabilities.*

5. Within the leaving care team, are there any personnel for whom specialist knowledge regarding issues of health, mental health or disability was required on the point of hiring i.e. specified within their job description? If not, have any such personnel been employed within the leaving care service at any point since the beginning of 2010?
   **Not currently, but there was one such specialist employed for a time during the period in question.**
If you require translation of the information you have been sent please do not hesitate to contact us.

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Please send any feedback to the Information Management Team Manager either by e-mail martin.tubbs@rbwm.gov.uk or in writing to the address above.

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