I am writing in response to your Information request:

**FOI66242**

We would like to establish some information regarding the arrangements for the carrying out of fostering assessments within the authority so we would be grateful if you could answer the following questions:

1. How many fostering assessments were completed by the authority between 1st April 2013 and 31st March 2014?
2. Of those assessments detailed in Question 1, what percentage of those assessments was commissioned to be carried out by external providers?
3. How many PAR (Prospective Adopters Report) assessments were completed by the authority between 1st April 2013 and 31st March 2014?
4. Of those assessments detailed in Question 3, what percentage of those assessments was commissioned to be carried out by external providers?
5. How many parenting assessments were completed by the authority between 1st April 2013 and 31st March 2014?
6. Of those assessments detailed in Question 5, what percentage of those assessments were commissioned to be carried out by external providers?

**Response:**

1. 7 Fostering assessments
2. Nil contracted out
3. 11 PAR (adopter) assessments
4. 3 contracted out – 27%
5. 6 parenting assessments
6. 2 contracted out as specialist residential assessments within care proceedings

If you are unhappy with the information we have provided in response to your request please write to:

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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.

Yours sincerely

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