

<b>FOI REF:</b>	16844
<b>RESPONSE SENT:</b>	07/04/2026

**Request (responses in bold)**

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the information below relating to households with dependent children who have an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) and who have been accepted as homeless and/or placed in Temporary Accommodation by the authority. If exact figures cannot be provided, please supply the nearest available data or confirm that the information is not held. Aggregate data only is requested; no personal data is sought.

1.

a) For the last year, please supply the number of households with dependent children placed in Temporary Accommodation;

**131**

b) For the last year, please supply the number of those households known to include at least one child with an EHCP.

**Not recorded in a way in which data can be reported from**

c) If the authority does not routinely record whether homeless households include children with EHCPs, please confirm this and explain where (if at all) this information would be recorded within housing needs assessments or homelessness systems.

**The information would be recorded within a housing assessment along with any other needs of the household (Children are likely still to be waiting for an EHCP) so any specific needs of the household would be recorded here and then recorded within the temporary accommodation referral form so that the Temporary Accommodation Team are aware.**

2.

a) For the last year, please supply the number of households with children – with no EHCPs – were placed in Temporary Accommodation outside the local authority area.

**0 – We do not place households outside of the District. Occasionally single people will be placed outside of District but never households with children. We**

**own our own Temporary Accommodation stock and are therefore able to control this.**

b) For the last year, please supply the number of households with children – with one or more EHCPs – were placed in Temporary Accommodation outside the local authority area.

**0**

3. Please confirm whether the authority routinely records information on children's SEN or EHCPs when completing Section 208 notifications?

**N/a we do not complete s208 referrals as we do not place households with children outside of the area.**

4. When a household with a child who has an EHCP is placed in Temporary Accommodation, including out of area:

a) what procedures are in place to notify the current and new SEND service; and

**N/a**

b) what procedures are in place to ensure transfer and continuity of EHCP provision in line with the Special Educational Needs and Disability Regulations 2014.

**N/a**

5. Does the authority record or monitor whether children with EHCPs experience any interruption or delay to the provision specified in their EHCP following placement in Temporary Accommodation? If yes, please describe the monitoring approach.

**N/a**

6. Does the authority have a policy or protocol for maintaining or funding home-to-school transport for children with EHCPs who are placed out of area due to homelessness?

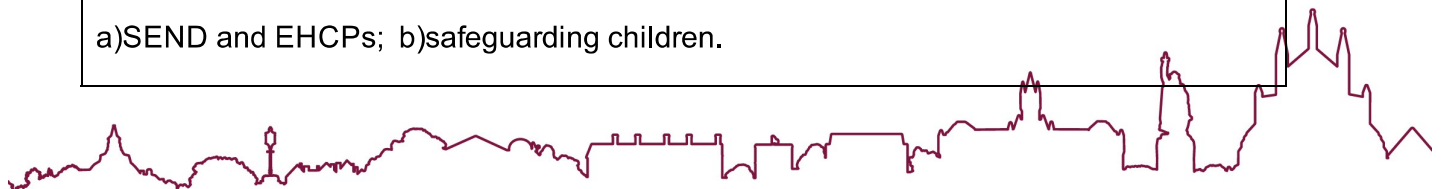
**N/a**

7. Are housing suitability assessments adapted or given additional consideration where a household includes a child with an EHCP or other SEN? Please provide a brief description of any such adjustments or guidance.

**Yes, all needs will be taken into consideration and a placement found as close to the households previous home (or school if that is the preference)**

8. What training (if any) is mandatory for housing officers in relation to:

a) SEND and EHCPs; b) safeguarding children.



**Staff undertake regular safeguarding training in relation to both children and adults which is provided internally by the council every 2 years. We are also part of the Hampshire Children's Safeguarding board and further more specific training is regularly provided and officers will discuss as part of their 121 and appraisal process to ensure they regularly sign up to safeguarding training through this route.**

