

## West Sussex County Council – Written Questions

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### Reply to a question submitted under Standing Order 2.40 to the County Council meeting on 14 October 2022

1. Written question from **Cllr Lord** for reply by **the Cabinet Member for Adults Services**

#### Question

Can the Cabinet Member provide for each of the last five years

- (a) The number of children living in West Sussex receiving a new clinical diagnosis of eating disorders.
- (b) The number of children living in West Sussex self-reporting that they may have an eating disorder or eating issues.
- (c) The number of children living in West Sussex receiving care from CAMHS for an eating disorder.
- (d) The number of children on the waiting list to receive CAMHS care for an eating disorder.

Please provide this by appropriate age group (for example under 11, 11-15, 16-18)

- (e) In addition, please can the Cabinet Member confirm the amount and scope of County Council investment in support within school or elsewhere for eating disorders (encompassing both clinical diagnoses and eating issues otherwise raising concern) over the last five years.

#### Answer

Information by age group has been provided where possible.

- (a)

**Table 1 - 2017/18**

Location	Under 11	Aged 11 - 15	Aged 16-18
Mid Sussex and Horsham	0	21	7
Coastal West Sussex	<5	29	16
Crawley	<5	<5	<5

**Table 2 - 2018/19**

Location	Under 11	Aged 11 - 15	Aged 16-18
Mid Sussex and Horsham	<5	20	<5
Coastal West Sussex	<5	32	14
Crawley	0	5	5

**Table 3 - 2019/20**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Under 11</b>	<b>Aged 11 - 15</b>	<b>Aged 16-18</b>
Mid Sussex and Horsham	<5	9	13
Coastal West Sussex	<5	28	14
Crawley	0	<5	5

**Table 4 - 2020/21**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Under 11</b>	<b>Aged 11 - 15</b>	<b>Aged 16-18</b>
Mid Sussex and Horsham	<5	22	18
Coastal West Sussex	0	28	17
Crawley	0	<5	<5

**Table 5 - 2021/22**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Under 11</b>	<b>Aged 11 - 15</b>	<b>Aged 16-18</b>
Mid Sussex and Horsham	<5	63	31
Coastal West Sussex	0	10	19
Crawley	0	<5	0

**Table 6 - 2022/23**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Under 11</b>	<b>Aged 11 - 15</b>	<b>Aged 16-18</b>
Mid Sussex and Horsham	0	46	16
Coastal West Sussex	0	12	7
Crawley	0	<5	<5

- (b) Under Section 1(1)(a) of the Act the Trust can confirm that it does not hold the information requested.
- (c) 121
- (d) 11
- (e) Eating Disorders are co-ordinated on a pan-Sussex level outside of the Children and Young People's Joint Commissioning Unit's budget. Joint funding (that greatly favours NHS contribution) of circa £13m is spent per annum to address a broad range of Mental Health needs, in which issues with eating will often manifest as a comorbid need.

No County Council funding is directly spent on eating disorders as this is a health priority.