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Mr Dimitri Shvorob
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Dear Mr Shvorob

Thank you for your request for information received on 13 January 2025 concerning children's centre attendance reporting.

This request is being handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am writing to inform you that we have searched our records and the information you requested is not held by the London Borough of Bexley - existing documentation does not exist, however please find written responses below.

My understanding is that reporting of attendance of the borough's children's centres has changed following their "reconfiguration" in 2021.

1. Can you please share any documents describing the change. (For example, there may be a list of services whose attendances were recorded before the reconfiguration but not after, and/or services discontinued).

There are no existing documents that describe the change between reporting systems. Childrens Centre attendance is currently recorded and reported from Liquid Logic. This is a Management Information System that the London Borough of Bexley were already using in 2021, for other services, and offered a module suitable for managing attendance data in a way that the previous separate system was not. Data collection is subject to GDPR and data sharing agreements.

2. Can you please share any analysis of the impact of the change on the reported attendance numbers, or of comparability of attendance numbers before and after the change..

There are no documents specifically containing analysis of the reporting change. The services offered have changed and we report from a different system. Current attendance data is produced and shared as required. Current data is not comparable to data prior to the reconfiguration. The focus now is on children from deprived areas who need support in their first 1001 days, in 4 childrens centres. Previously attendance data was reported for all children under 5, with all levels of need, and across 8 childrens centres.

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Yours sincerely

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