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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Please inform me as to how many carers use the Woodlawns adult learning disability short breaks unit in Dungannon from the three Trust Districts:

1. How many carers resident in the Armagh & Dungannon District use Woodlawns, and how many nights on average are given to each individual carer/family?

In the Armagh and Dungannon area, there are 29 carers, receiving an average of 20 nights each, using Woodlawn House for short breaks.

2. Also please give the same information on numbers and average nights per carer in respect of individual carers who use Woodlawn for short breaks, and are resident in the districts of Craigavon & Banbridge and Newry & Mourne

In the Craigavon & Banbridge area, there are 21 carers, receiving an average of 20 nights each, who use Woodlawn House for short breaks.

In the Newry & Mourne area, there are 23 carers, receiving an average of 21 nights each, who use Woodlawn House for short breaks.

3. What is the total number of staff employed in the Woodlawn unit, how many short break beds currently in use, and the ratio of care staff to resident on short breaks.

The total number of staff employed in Woodlawn House is 23.65 whole time equivalents.

Woodlawn House has 8 beds which are all currently in use.

Woodlawn House has a mixed ratio of staff for each service user as per their assessed need. This can range from 1 service user needing 1 staff member throughout their short break or 1 service user requiring 2 staff members throughout their short break period. The other service users who are not requiring high intensity support as per their assessed need will have 3 staff for 5 service users.

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