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8 September 2026

Dear [REDACTED],

Freedom of Information request: FOI2026/00693

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request received on the 10 August in which you requested the following:

Your request:

I am looking for the following information.

A) For the Cfl: Earlier identification of UK children with SEN Competition please provide the number of applications received , I am aware this competition has just closed, I only require the number of applications received

B) For these two competitions: Cfl Improving Outcomes for Children Experiencing Homelessness and also Cfl: Boosting fathers' engagement to improve child outcomes please provide the following:

- 1) The number of applications.*
- 2) The number of assessed applications.*
- 3) The number of successful applications.*
- 4) The success rate.*
- 5) The minimum successful score.*
- 6) The maximum successful score.*
- 7) The maximum score of failed applications.*
- 8) Average grant fund value per project.*
- 9) Average score of funded projects.*

Our response

I can confirm that UK Research and Innovation (UKRI) does hold information relevant to your request. Please see the information below.

A) For the Cfl: Earlier identification of UK children with SEN Competition please provide the number of applications received

I can confirm that 332 applications were received for the Contracts for Innovation: Earlier identification of UK children with SEN competition.

B) For these two competitions: Cfl Improving Outcomes for Children Experiencing Homelessness and also Cfl: Boosting fathers' engagement to improve child outcomes please provide the following (statistical information):

This information can be found in the table presented on the next page.

Competition name	Cfl: Boosting fathers' engagement to improve child outcomes	Cfl Improving Outcomes for Children Experiencing Homelessness
1) The number of applications.	152	65
2) The number of assessed applications.	123	63
3) The number of successful applications.	10	15
4) The success rate.	8%	24%
5) The minimum successful score.	52.3	71
6) The maximum successful score.	61.7	91.9
7) The maximum score of failed applications.	60.3	89.5
8) Average grant fund value per project.	£327,167	£321,580
9) Average score of funded projects.	57.54	80.44

Please note that, as stated in the competition summaries for these projects (accessible [here](#)¹ and [here](#)²), a portfolio approach was taken, meaning that a project with a lower score may have been successful, in order to fit the spend profile of these competitions. Further details on the portfolio approach can be found [here](#)³.

Your rights

If you have any queries regarding our response please do let us know. If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review, explaining which elements of this decision you disagree with and why. Internal review requests should be submitted within 40 working days of the date of our response and should be addressed to:

Head of Information Governance
Email: foi@ukri.org

Please quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are still not content with the outcome of the internal review, you may apply to refer the matter to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the review procedure provided by UKRI. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: www.ico.org.uk.

If you wish to raise a complaint regarding the service you have received or the conduct of any UKRI staff in relation to your request, please see [UKRI's complaints procedure](#)⁴.

Yours sincerely,


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¹ <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/2458/overview/bd6562cf-e556-4860-9348-663db48bb1a8>

² <https://apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/2460/overview/d840aec6-c35d-4d86-a524-2b4c5a9bf9b3>

³ <https://www.ukri.org/councils/innovate-uk/guidance-for-applicants/general-guidance/what-happens-after-you-have-submitted-your-application/#contents-list>

⁴ <https://www.ukri.org/who-we-are/contact-us/make-a-complaint/#skipnav-target>