

**Details of the Number of Applications Received from Those Wanting to Become Foster Carers**

From April 2010 to March 2011, the Family Placement Team had:

14 Short break enquiries  
43 Fostering enquiries  
22 Fostering AND short break enquiries  
6 Supported Lodgings enquiries

= Total 85 enquiries

During this period 10 applications to foster were received, so a conversion rate of 12 % from enquiry to application, which compares favourably with national averages.

April 2011 to Sept 2011:

12 short break enquiries  
23 fostering enquiries  
5 supported lodgings enquiries  
6 people who have enquired about both short break and fostering

= Total 46 enquiries.

During the period, 7 applications from people wanting to become foster carers were received plus 6 households on the current preparation to foster group so more applications are expected before the end of 2011.