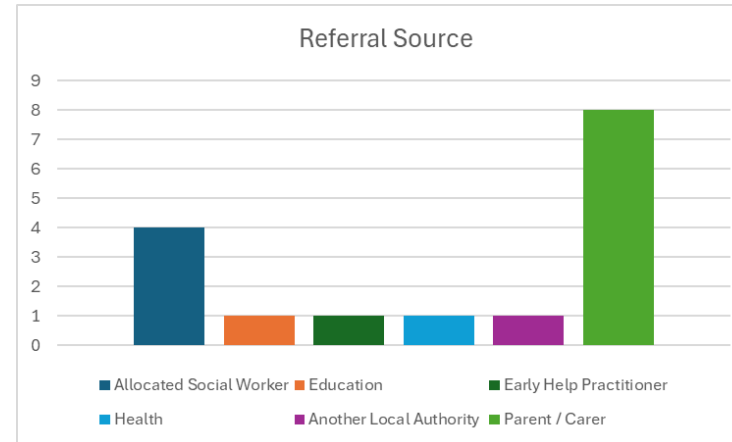


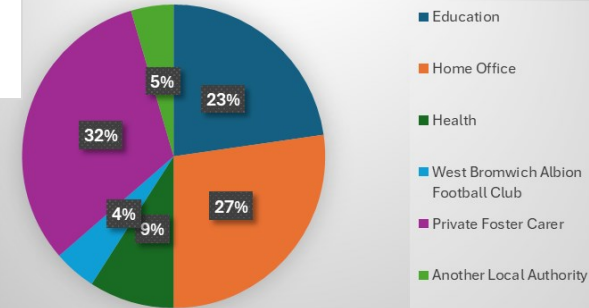
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Year	Private Fostering Contacts Received into MASH	Children Privately Fostered	Percentage Increase in Contacts	Percentage Increase in Children Fostered
2021-2022	8	6		
2022-2023	14	18	75%	200%
2023-2024	26	16	85%	



Contacts received into MASH



Reasons for a child living in private fostering arrangements:

- Living with Great Aunt as parent has criminal convictions that preclude caring for children.
- Children have experienced a family breakdown and living with family friends.
- Young person is aged 15 and is an expectant father with his 15 year old girlfriend and wants to live with the same household.
- Parental poor health.
- Parent deceased, a will was completed which consented for the child to live with their cousin.
- Moved to live in the UK with elder boyfriend and his parents.

Watch “What is Private Fostering?”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0d-es5Hd3ho&t=5s>



Further information & resources on WSP website:

<https://walsallsp.co.uk/children/professionals/professionals-working-with-children/private-fostering/>

eLearning on Private Fostering: <https://walsall.event-booking.org.uk/elearning-detail/%3DcTOzAjM/Private-Fostering-Module>