



17 November 2017

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 1327/17

Dear Sir/Madam

Your request for information has now been considered and the information requested is provided below.

Request:

Can you let me know how many children in your local authority were being home schooled during the following three years please:

Between March 2014 and March 2015, March 2015- 2016 and March 2016- 2017.

If there has been a significant increase or decrease between 2015 and 2017, any explanation would be welcome.

Response:

March 2014/15	*
March 2015/16	*
March 2016/17	5

There hasn't been any significant change to the number of Electively Home Educated (EHE). The reasons in the above cases are all different.

* In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this email message acts as a Refusal Notice.

We can confirm that we hold the information however we are unable to supply it as we consider this information to be exempt due to the low number of individuals identified.

The Council is relying on Section 40(2) – personal information in that it believes the exemption applies because the information is personal information and we believe that disclosure would not be fair or lawful because it would breach the first data protection principle as outlined in Schedule 1 of the Data Protection Act 1998. We consider that these individuals would have a reasonable expectation of privacy.

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Yours faithfully

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