



14 May 2018

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – 497/18

Dear Sir/Madam

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

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please can you provide me with:

1. The annual number of permanent pupil exclusions in schools for the last five academic years including 2016/17 for:

	Knife carrying or possession	Drug possession or dealing	Firearm carrying or possession
2012-13	0	0	0
2013-14	0	0	0
2014-15	0	0	0
2015-16	1	0	0
2016-17	0	0	0

2. The annual number of fixed-period pupil exclusions in schools for the last five academic years including 2016/17 for:

	Knife carrying or possession	Drug possession or dealing	Firearm carrying or possession
2012-13	0	0	0
2013-14	0	0	0
2014-15	0	2	0
2015-16	1	1	0
2016-17	0	1	0

3. The youngest age of a child excluded for the following reasons across this five year period:

- a. Knife carrying or possession

Answer: 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.

b. Drug possession or dealing

Answer Same response as answer to Q3a.

c. Firearm carrying or possession

Answer: Not Applicable

4. The number of non-permanent exclusions lasting more than a month for each of the last five academic years including 2017

Answer: None

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Yours faithfully

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