

NCC-038064-19 - FOI Elective Home Education – funding

Dear Requester,

Further to your request for information under the freedom of Information Act. Nottinghamshire county council have provided the following statement in response.

We can confirm that there would be no Electively Home Educated pupils who have received online tutoring at home that was paid for by Nottinghamshire County Council between September 1 2017 and August 31 2018 - or at any other time. This is because, by definition, when a parent/carer withdraws a child from school (or otherwise chooses) to home educate, the parent(s)/carer(s) assume complete responsibility for that child's educational provision, at which point the Council ceases its responsibility and could not fund an aspect of an EHE child's educational provision.

We trust this now resolves your enquiry, however should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

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<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>
You can use the search facility using keywords.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information Team, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or email complaints@nottscc.gov.uk .

Kind Regards

Nottinghamshire County Council
Complaints and Information Team
County Hall

Dear Nottinghamshire County Council,

I am writing to you to request information under the Freedom of Information Act.

Please tell me:

-How many pupils have received online tutoring at home that was paid for by the council between September 1 2017 and August 31 2018? Please indicate how many children were primary school age and how many children were secondary school age.

Note: I am requesting information relating to ALL children who receive some or all of their schooling at home. This would include those who are electively home-schooled, as well as those who have

some or all of their classes at home as part of their mainstream schooling, or as part of alternative provision.

For these children, I am requesting information relating to online learning. This would include children who receive some or all of their tuition over Skype (or similar services), or using e-learning tutoring tools. It would include instances where the council has hired a member of staff specifically to carry out this online tuition, as well as instances where an external company is being paid to provide the service.

-Please provide the same information (total number of pupils, broken down by primary/secondary) for the same period (Sept 1 - Aug 31) for each of these years: 2016/17, 2015/16, 2014/15 and 2013/14.

-How much was spent on providing this online tutoring? Please provide the figure in pounds for each of the school years listed above (2013/14 - 2017/18), broken down by school year.

-Please provide the name(s) of the organisation(s) providing the online tutoring for home-schooled children.

Yours faithfully,