NCC-039494-19 Procurement of non-stun meat for schools

Dear Requester,

Further to your request under the freedom of information act, please see below the response on the FOI in relation to non-stun meat, highlighted in blue.

Can you please answer the questions below, on procurement of non-stun meat for schools, to inform our understanding of where non-stun meat is being procured and who is eating it?

By non-stun meat we mean any meat where the animal was not rendered insensible to pain (stunned) before being slaughtered. In England, this means all meat that is certified shechita (kosher) and some (not all) that is certified halal.

- 1. Do schools in your area procure their own meat supplies? Schools/academies that have their catering contract with NCC (can be identified by their menus being on the NCC website) do not, however many schools and academies are either self-managed or have private contractors this FoI would need to be directed to the head teachers of these schools/academies for a response
- 2. If they do not, is this a function that is undertaken by the local authority or outsourced to a third party? Schools within Nottinghamshire county council catering services, have their meat procured through an NCC procurement meat contract.
- 3. Is non stun meat procured for consumption in schools? No
- 4. If non stun meat is procured, is this: N/A
- a) For consumption by all? N/A
- b) If it is for consumption by all, can pupils opt out of eating non stun meat? N/A
- c) For consumption only by pupils who request it? N/A
- 5. If you currently procure non stun meat for consumption in schools, have you considered changing this practice and only procuring meat that is stunned before slaughter? N/A

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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Kind Regard

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