Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Request. Please accept our apologies for the delay in getting the information to you.

The response from the departments concerned are as follows:

- 1. What has been the total cost of SEN education support that has been funded by the High Needs Block (for the financial years 2015-2019 inclusive)?
- 2. What has been the total amount of additional funding transferred in to support the High Needs Block (for the financial years 2015-2019)?

	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20
	£ millions				
High Needs Block Allocation	56.74	57.29	59.82	63.98	66.36
Transfers into the HNB from other blocks of the DSG	0	0	0	2.36	2.65

Please also see links to the DSG allocation spreadsheets on the ESFA website.

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2015-to-2016 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2016-to-2017 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2017-to-2018 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2018-to-2019 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2019-to-2020

3. How many SEN officers/caseworkers are currently employed in your SEN team? 16, due to maternity leave & long term sick, the actual staff available was 11

Please also provide the average [mean] staffing numbers for the financial years (1st April - 31st March) 2014-2015 12, and 2017-2019 inclusive. 15, due to maternity leave & long term sick, the actual staff available was 10

4. What was the mean number of cases annually assigned to each SEN caseworker for the years above?

The below average is based on the number of staff in work

2014-2015- Not known part of previous team & data not available

2017-2018- 184 cases

2018-2019- **171 cases** 

I hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

In addition to this and for future reference Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link) <a href="http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/">http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/</a>

You can use the search facility using keywords.

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**Kind Regards** 

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