## Freedom of information request NCC-045714-20

Thank you for your recent Freedom of information request, for ease we have provided our response alongside each point as follows:

1. For the academic year just ended, how many pupils received free home to school transport? 6,900

2. What was the total cost to the local authority of this provision? If possible please break this down by contracts for commercial buses/coaches, and passes for children to travel on public services. £8.2m SEND, £5.2M Mainstream, £600k commercial passes

3. How many children received concessionary/spare/vacant seat places, and if possible how much money was received for these? N/A - 1,400 passes sold but farepayers travel as required

4. What is the current estimate for how many pupils will receive free home to school transport for the coming academic year and the current estimate of the cost to the authority? 7,000

5. Has the authority allowed applications for concessionary/spare/vacant seat places, revised numbers or told parents that there may not be capacity this year because of coronavirus? Discretionary travel is still offered

6. Is the authority doing anything else to reduce demand for school buses, such as offering to reimburse parents for mileage expenses if they drive their children to school, or recruiting minicabs etc? If so please provide details. Additional services provided, services covering more than 1 school or site have been spilt, parental mileage and Personal grants offered.

We trust this information is of assistance to you.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail <u>foi@nottscc.gov.uk</u> quoting the reference number above

With kind regards

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