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**Request for Information: Ref NCC-032147-18
School buses operated by or on behalf of the local authority**

Thank you for your request for information relating to school buses operated by or on behalf of the local authority. I can now let you have the following information in response to the questions you raised.

- 1. The number of school buses operated by or on behalf of the local authority, the Starting and End point of each bus and the length of the route in miles.**
Spreadsheet for the current year attached.
- 2. The amount of subsidy (if any) given to each operator to run a school bus service.**
Spreadsheet for the current year attached.
- 3. The estimated number of school children who use the buses to travel to school in the given years.** We transport around 9,000 pupils across our supported school bus services.

The time range I am interested in is for each of the three years 2015, 2016, 2017. Please note, the contract system Nottingham County Council use reports on the current contracts/year. Expired contracts are archived individually against the contract reference, in order to provide details for previous years it would consist of manually searching archived records to determine whether they were operational for some or part of the previous financial years.

You may be aware that there is a statutory limit to the amount of time authorities are required to spend retrieving and collating information in order to respond to a request. This is defined in the Fees and Appropriate Limit Regulations and currently stands at 2.5 days or 18 hours. We estimate that it will take one officer in excess of 2.5 days to locate the information you have requested.

We hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly using the contact details below. In addition and for future reference Nottinghamshire County Council regularly publish previous Freedom of Information Requests and answers on our website, under Disclosure logs, available at the following link:

<http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/>

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.

Yours sincerely

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