I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from you.

I'd like to know how many school buses you will be using in September to transport students to and from the schools in your area. I'd also like to know how many were used in the school years starting 2019 and also 2018.

I would also like to know how many extra buses and other transportation they will be using to ensure social distancing due to Covid-19.

Dear Requester,

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

The Councils Response is as follows:

The information is not kept in the format requested. Please find provided a total figure for the 19/20 and 20/21 academic years and a link to the main website where we have posted all school bus timetables for 2020/21 academic year.

2019/20 – NCC provided 151 contracts for school bus services with around 171 vehicles operating. 2020/21 – NCC are currently providing 151 contracts for school bus services, with around 171 vehicles operating. In addition there are emergency arrangements currently in place for a further 27 vehicles as a response to covid-19 issues, these are flexible and operate where required.

A list of all current school services can be found at https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/transport/public-transport/school-bus-timetables

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

You can use the search facility using keywords.

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 foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference number above.

Kind Regards

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