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To:
Subject: Freedom of Information Request NCC-049544-20
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Attachments: [NCC-049544-20 response spreadsheet.xlsx](#)

Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information about DSG outturns and EHCP response times.

Please find below and attached our responses to your specific questions

1. The council's forecast (or actual, if available – please specify) outturn on its High Needs Block budget in 2020/21, prior to transfers to and from other budgets

£80.689million

2. The council's forecast (or actual, if available – please specify) outturn on its Dedicated Schools Grant budget in 2020/21, prior to transfers to and from other budgets

£647.559million

3. Please list any council proposals or policies to reduce High Needs Block costs and/or overspends. Please enclose any HNB or DSG deficit reduction plan

We do not have a deficit recovery plan

4. How many new EHCPs has the council issued in 2020/21, excluding 'exception cases' where the 20-week deadline does not apply?

388

5. Of the new EHCPs listed in response to question 4, how many were issued within the 20-week deadline?

380

6. How many new EHCPs has the council issued in 2020/21, including (but not limited to) 'exception cases'?

390

7. Of the new EHCPs listed in response to question 6, how many were issued within 20 weeks?

380

8. How many applications for new EHCPs does the council currently have pending – i.e. an EHCP has not yet been issued and the application has not been rejected?

237

9. Of the applications referred to in response to question 8, how many are currently over the 20-week deadline (including exception cases where 20 weeks is not a deadline)?

2

10. Of the applications referred to in response to question 8, how many are not currently viewed as 'exception cases'?

237

11. Of the applications referred to in response to question 9 (i.e. excluding 'exception cases'), how many are currently over the 20-week deadline?

2

Notes:

Q4-Q7 exclude plans issued either following mediation and/or tribunal and plans issued part way through process and covers new plans issued between 1 April 2020 to 31 March

2021.

Q8-Q11 includes i) new requests (up to 31 March 2021) awaiting decision whether to carry out an assessment, ii) new requests currently being assessed prior to a decision whether to issue an EHC Plan and iii) new plans still to be issued. It excludes new requests currently being assessed following mediation and/or tribunal and new plans to be issued following mediation and/or tribunal. In Progress position as at 12 April 2021.

Please also note that Q4-Q7 is collected annually in the SEN2 government return which the DfE publishes data around May time for all local authorities. However the data for new plans issued in timescale is collected on a calendar year basis rather than financial year as was requested.

I hope that you find this information to be helpful, however if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, then please email us at foi@nottscc.gov.uk quoting the reference NCC-049544-20 and we will be happy to review your request

With kind regards

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