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| **SENT BY EMAIL** | Contact: Information TeamFOI@croydon.gov.ukOur Ref: 2329177 Date: 8 October 2020 |



Dear Mala Thapar

**Freedom of Information Request**

Your request has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. Please accept our apologies for the delay in responding to you. Specifically, you have requested the following information:

**Please provide the following information based on the full population of a young person ages 0-25 with SEN (Special educational Needs) resident within London Borough of Croydon and data required for the following based upon all educational settings :**

 **a) The precise number of SEN Children who are registered to attend all educational settings OUT OF LB Croydon borough for both Primary, Secondary, 6th form that are funded by LB Croydon whom are registered to attend each out of borough school.**

926.

**b) The number of each educational placement and cost per year for each educational placement**

The council consider this to be personal information, withholding of personal data as defined by the General Data Protection Regulations 2018, falls within the exemption in Section 40 (2) (a) (i) (Personal Information) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This aspect of your request is therefore exempt from disclosure by virtue of Section 40 (2) (a) (i) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

It is important to remember that when information is released under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, it is considered released to the wider public. Any such disclosure of personal information would not be compliant with the provisions of the General Data Protection Regulations 2018.

**c) The precise number of the whole population (population definition being the number of children and young adults of all ages) whom are registered to attend whom are registered to attend OUT OF LB Croydon educational settings for each year group: Primary, Secondary, 6th form, Residential or other.**

The total number of students educated out of borough is 926 (children/young people with EHC Plans.

Primary: 146

Secondary: 288

Post 16: 492

**d) The precise number within this population whom are registered to attend each out of borough educational settings from data in (c) above of in each year how many of the cohort are from the BAME community - being Black, Asian, Minority of Ethnics or other being Mixed race or multiple ethnic groups within each of the categories of Primary, Secondary, 6th form, Residential or other.**

454 of the 926 cohort are identified and Non-White British

**(e) The costs for each out of borough educational settings by (b) educational placement (c) population and (d) by ethnicity that are funded by LB Croydon.**

Costs of placements are negotiated on an individual basis and relate to levels of need and length of placement. We cannot provide individual details.

Primary: £1.9m Estimated Costs

Secondary: 3.3m Estimated costs

Post 16: £8.0m Estimated costs

This is a break down based on education phase. We are not able to provide a breakdown based on ethnicity.

If you are dissatisfied with the way the Council has handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act you may ask for an internal review. This should be submitted to us within 40 working days of this response. You can do this by outlining the details of your complaint by:

Email: FOI@croydon.gov.uk

Writing: Information Team

London Borough of Croydon

Bernard Weatherill House

7th Floor - Zone C

 8 Mint Walk

Croydon CR0 1EA

Any requests received after the 40 working day time limit will be considered only at the discretion of the council.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner’s Office

Wycliffe House

Water Lane

Wilmslow

Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

Croydon Council