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Dear Ms Nicholson

# Freedom of Information Request

I refer to your Freedom of Information Request received on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2014. I apologise for the delay in providing this information

Your request asked for the following information:

## **Your Request**

- 1. Where elective home education currently sits in your authority?
- 2. Which line in the s251 table included an allocation for elective home education services in a. 2013-14 and b. 2014-15?
- 3. What is the budget sum allocated to elective home education services for the current year?
- 4. What is the forward budget sum allocated to elective home education services for the next financial year?

#### Council's Response

We can confirm the following information with regards your request above.

- 1. Where elective home education currently sits in your authority?

  Elective Home Education sits with the Alternative Education Service, which receives the funding to provide the service
- 2. Which line in the s251 table included an allocation for elective home education services in a. 2013-14 and b. 2014-15?

### 1.2.7 Other alternative provision

- 3. What is the budget sum allocated to elective home education services for the current year? £70,771
- 4. What is the forward budget sum allocated to elective home education services for the next financial year?

The 2015/16 budget is yet to be agreed

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Yours sincerely

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