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Please ask for: Bernadette Cairns
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Our Ref: CRM **HC0226-3602**
Date: 10/06/2018

Dear Ms Masson,

**REQUEST FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION
(SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

I refer to your request for information relating to **Number of Pupils with Autism** and have provided responses as requested below:

1. Number of Children/young People registered in Highland Schools and nurseries as at today's date. **34453**
2. Number of Children/young people registered in Highland Council schools and nurseries who have a diagnosis of Autism, ASD or ASC? **689**
3. A breakdown of numbers of children /young people diagnosed with Autism, ASD or ASC by those in Nursery **27**, Primary School **335**, Secondary School **282**, Specialist Schools **45**
4. The number of Children/young people diagnosed with Autism/ASD or ASC being educated full time in each of the following independent specialist schools:
Linn Moor **nil**
Camphill **nil**
Falkland House **nil**
The New School **1**
Troup House School **nil**
New Struan School **1**
Any Other Specialist Schools **1 at Whinfell**
5. The number of children/young people diagnosed with Autism/ASD or ASC registered with Highland Council as being Home schooled?"
It is not possible to provide a response to this question. We do have some information on children educated at home where parents have agreed that we maintain contact, however, some parents do not want information on their child to be held by the local authority once they start to home educate. In addition, many children are home educated without the requirement for agreement from the local authority and so we have no information about the

needs of this group of children. Any information we do have is limited and would not give a total number or a complete picture.

Under Section 20 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, you have the right to request that the Highland Council reviews any aspect of how it has dealt with your request. This requirement for review should be put in writing to the Freedom of Information Officer, Chief Executive's Office, Glenurquhart Road, Inverness IV3 5NX, within 40 working days of receipt of this letter. The request should include details of the information requested and the aspects of the Highland Council's response which you are not satisfied with.

If you are subsequently dissatisfied with the outcome of the Council's review, you have the right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner under Section 47 of the Act, within six months of receiving the Council's review response.

Further guidance on information request reviews and right to appeal can be found on the Scottish Information Commissioner website at www.itspublicknowledge.info.

Kind Regards,



Bernadette Cairns
Head of Additional Support Services