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Dear Ms Kerrigan

Freedom of Information Request

Further to your request received on 21 April 2017, please see Central Bedfordshire Council's response to your questions below:

I write to ask you to provide me with information regarding the support given to children under 16 years of age with Special Educational Needs.

I would like you to supply me with the information requested for the past two school years, from the period of 1st September 2015 to 31st January 2017.

I would like to ascertain the details of all children/ young people who have SEN/ EHC plans in terms of their education for the following categories:

Academic Year (2015/16 and 2016/17)

Category of Need (BESD, ASD, etc.):

Information for both years can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-special-educational-needs-sen>

Name of School:

Information for both years can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-special-educational-needs-sen>

Type of school - (Maintained/non-maintained/independent)

Information for both years can be found at

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/statistics-special-educational-needs-sen>

Central Bedfordshire Council

Please reply to:

Access to Information Team
Chief Executive's Team
Central Bedfordshire Council
Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands,
Shefford, Bedfordshire SG17 5TQ

Telephone 0300 300 8301

Email accesstoinfo@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk
www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

Type of placement - (Day or 38 week placement)

	<i>Day</i>	<i>38 week</i>
<i>2015/16</i>	*number suppressed as less than 5	13
<i>2017/17</i>	*number suppressed as less than 5	14

Cost of placement per year

<i>Year</i>	<i>Cost Day</i>	<i>Cost 38 week</i>
<i>2015/16</i>	£110,290.63	£884,095.29
<i>2016/17</i>	£152,294.30	£864,816.23

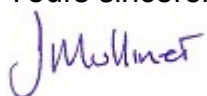
Please note that due to the low numbers of children releasing the numbers for type of placement may lead to the identification of a child. This contravenes the first principle of the Data Protection Act 1998 and is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act.

This information is sensitive personal data and is protected under the Data Protection Act 1998 and therefore can not be provided under the Freedom of Information Act.

Section 40 (2), (3)(a)(i), (3)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 advises why we are not required to provide the information requested. The information is considered to be exempt as it is sensitive personal data. So in accordance with Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, this letter acts as a refusal to release this information under the act.

Please treat this as a formal response under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



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Exemptions

40 Personal information

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which do not fall within subsection (1), and

(b) either the first or the second condition below is satisfied.

(3) The first condition is—

(a) in a case where the information falls within any of paragraphs (a) to (d) of the definition of "data" in section 1(1) of the [1998 c. 29.] Data Protection Act 1998, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene—

(i) any of the data protection principles, or

(b) in any other case, that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act would contravene any of the data protection principles if the exemptions in section 33A(1) of the [1998 c. 29.] Data Protection Act 1998 (which relate to manual data held by public authorities) were disregarded.

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Access to Information Team

Office of the Chief Executive, Central Bedfordshire Council, Priory House, Monks Walk, Chicksands, SG17 5TQ

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Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 700

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