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Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information dated 26/07/2021 about elective home education. We have dealt with this under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

## Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are as follows:

We are not aware of any correspondence from Elective Home Education parents in response to recent Ofsted inspections of Camden Council, Ofsted does not hold a role in inspecting Elective Home Education, It does have a role in the inspection of children who are missing education Camden does not record Elective Home Education as missing education. Ofsted also has a role in looking at "off rolling from schools" Camden has systems in place for schools to notify the LA when a child is removed from the school roll following a request for Elective Home Education. We are aware that there's a recommendation contained within the House of Commons Education Committee report on Strengthening Home Education that calls on Ofsted having "a role in quality assuring the delivery of local authority support for EHE and adherence to EHE guidance" which Camden would welcome.

- 1) How many members of your Education Welfare/Elective Home Education Department staff are members of the Association of Elective Home Education Professionals (AEHEP)? Less than 5
- 2) Are membership fees payable to AEHEP (i) individually; (ii) corporately? No fees

How much was paid over the past 12 months? N/A

- 3) How many attendances have those staff members made at AEHEP meetings within the previous 12 months
- (i) face to face; 0
- (ii) virtually? 3
- 4) What is the total direct cost of staff attendance at AEHEP meetings in the previous 12 months?

No costs except staff time, Camden Council supports this work as there is a benefit to the Local Authority in terms of shared knowledge understanding and sharing of best practice amongst local authorities

5) What is the total time spent my members of LA staff in attending AEHEP meetings, combined with time spent dealing with any other matter relating to the AEHEP?

South East Elective Home Education Officer (SEEHEO) forum 7 hrs

## **Further Information:**

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Yours sincerely,

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Information Rights Officer