



Children's Services Early Help and Schools

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Dear Mr Whiteside

RE: - REQUEST FOR INFORMATION UNDER THE - FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Further to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, received by Rochdale Council on 17th August 2024. Please see the below response in relation to your queries:

- 1. As you know Special Educational Needs covers all ages from birth to 25. Please can you confirm the quantity of children in this age group living within Rochdale Metropolitan Borough that are educated outside the Borough in 2024?**

449

- 2. Can you confirm the transportation costs (taxi, coach and petrol allowances) associated with these children travelling to and from Schools outside the Borough in the school year 2023/2024.**

Taxi & Coach £1,279,480.40
Fuel Reimbursements £47678.12

- 3. Can you confirm the total costs RMBC paid for them to be educated outside the Borough in the year 2023/2024?**

£314545.80 – known at this time

- 4. Can you confirm the number of SEN Children in Rochdale Metropolitan Borough who are home schooled in the year 2023/2024?**

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- 5. Can you confirm the number of SEN Children in Rochdale Metropolitan Borough who are educated in a non-SEN school awaiting an SEN School place?**

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We feel that we have fulfilled your Freedom of Information request. However, please see the details

on our [website](#) if you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request, wish to make a complaint or appeal against any decision we have made in response to your request.

Should you have any queries, please contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jane Sowerby". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping 'J' and a long, trailing 'y'.

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