

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002733

Date 5 September 2018

State Maintained Alternative Provision

Request:

In line with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 we would like to receive the following information from you:

- 1) We would like information on the total number of places you had in "state maintained alternative provision" in the academic year 2017/2018 in your local authority. Please could you provide us with the number of places you had in:
 - pupil referral units (PRUs) 188
 - alternative provision academies (academised PRUs) 42
 - alternative provision free schools (PRU alternatives) N/A

Please note that the figures above represent the number of places agreed for the funding period April 2017 – March 2018.

If you are unable to provide information on each type of provision stated above please provide information for the types of provision you do have information for.

- 2) We would like information on the number of vacant places in "state maintained alternative provision" which were available in your local authority as of 1 July 2018. Please could you provide us with the number of **vacant** places you had as of 1 July 2018 in:
 - pupil referral units (PRUs)
 - alternative provision academies (academised PRUs)
 - alternative provision free schools (PRU alternatives)

If you are unable to provide information on each type of provision stated above please provide information for the types of provision you do have information for.

In respect of question 2, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information.

Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1(1) (a) of the Act, that states:

[NOT PROTECTIVELY MARKED]

"Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".