



Response to Request for Information

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School Buildings

Request:

1. How many school buildings in the authority, are known to the council as having asbestos? 69 schools in the Wolverhampton City Council area fall into this category. To put this into context, most buildings of a certain age contain asbestos in some shape or form, and Wolverhampton's schools are no different. The presence of asbestos in buildings is not in itself a risk to health, as long as the asbestos is either not damaged or located somewhere where it could easily be damaged.

2. A list of schools that are known to contain asbestos?

Nursery Schools

Bushbury Nursery School
Eastfield Nursery School
Phoenix Nursery School

Infant Schools

Christ Church, Church of England Infant and Nursery School
Springdale (and Resource Base for Language and Communication)
Westacre Infant School
Whitgreave Infant School
Woodfield Infant School

Junior Schools

Christ Church, Church of England Junior School
Springdale (and Resource Area for Language and Communication)
Uplands Junior School
Whitgreave Junior School
Woodfield Junior School

Primary Schools

Bantock Primary School
Bilston Church of England Primary School
Castlecroft (and Resources Area for VI) Primary School
Claregate Primary School
D'Eyncourt Primary School
Dovecotes Primary School
Dunstable Hill Primary School
Eastfield Primary School

East Park Primary School
Edward the Elder Primary School
Elston Hall Primary School
Fallings Park Primary School
Goldthorn Park Primary School
Graiseley Primary School
Grove Primary School
Hill Avenue Primary School
Lanesfield Primary School
Long Knowle Primary School
Loxdale Primary School
Manor Primary School
Merridale Primary School
Oxley Primary School
Palmers Cross (and Resources Area for Language and Communication) Primary School
Parkfield Primary School
Spring Vale Primary School
St Alban's Church of England Primary School
St Andrews Church of England Primary School
St Bartholomew's Church of England Primary School
St Stephen's Church of England Primary School
St Thomas' Church of England Primary School
Woodthorne Primary School

Secondary Schools

Colton Hills Community School (and Resource Area for PD)
Coppice Performing Arts School
Deansfield Community School, Specialists in Media Arts (and Deaf Resource Base)
Moreton

Special Schools

Broadmeadow Special School
New Park Community Special School
Penn Hall School
Tettenhall Wood School
Westcroft School Sports and Applied Learning College

Pupil Referral Centre Schools

Kingston Centre (Primary PRU)
Midpoint Centre (Key Stage 4 PRU)
The Braybrook Centre (Key Stage 3 PRU)
The Orchard Centre (Home and Hospital PRU)

3. The number of schools suspected of having asbestos, but has not yet been confirmed? **None**

4. How many schools are planning/currently removing asbestos from their school buildings?

In respect of question 4, it has been established 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:

"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".

The Council does not hold information regarding individual schools operational plans. Schools involved manage the process, involving the Council as and when required. They maintain detailed plans designed to mitigate any risk to pupils, staff and parents. Regular monitoring is carried out on the affected properties and remedial work carried out if necessary. In addition, the council will remove asbestos from school buildings as and when required. If you require details of these plans please contact the schools directly regarding requesting this information.

5. Total number of schools - 76