

## Response to Request for Information

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### ***Home Educated Children***

#### **Request:**

Please respond to the following questions solely for home educated children. That is children electively home educated by their parents or guardians who do not attend school. Do not include children for whom Local Authority provision is made (EOTAS).

1. How many full time equivalent education officers do you have dealing with home educated children? (If roles also cover other duties, please only give the number of hours the officers devote to home education.)  
If you use an outside agency, rather than Local Authority staff to undertake home education visits, please specify that to be the case and provide the annual cost of the agency services.  
**One**
2. What formal recognised qualifications do your Home Education officers hold in the assessment of Paediatric Health?  
**None. The EHE Officer has readily access to a School Nurse Service whom are able to provide in depth paediatric advice and support upon request by the officer or families.**
3. How many home educated children does your Authority visit for home education checks annually? (Please do not include children for whom any other forms of contact are used, unless a visit is also made).  
All EHE registered young people are offered a visit annually as a minimum and all who respond are given a completed visit as per request.
4. How long on average does each visit last including travelling time?  
**Each visits length is individual to the needs and requirements of both EHE learner and their family, as such each and every visit will be differing in length and depth as these are tailored to the specific educational needs and requirements of the young person and their family.**
5. Where a visit is not undertaken and other forms of information provided such as an education report or samples of work, please state the average staff time taken to deal with each child?  
**Each electively home educated child is individual and therefore production and length of work or reports is individual to each learner, time allocated to**

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6. How many children under 16 are you aware of who are home educated in your area? If possible, please give separate figures for age 5-10 and 11-16.

The number of compulsory school aged children registered as EHE on the 31/7/17:

5-10 = 103

11-16 = 168