

Response to Request for Information

Reference FOI 002400 **Date** 12 June 2018

Transporting Children

Request:

What was the total cost to your council in the 2016/17 academic year of transporting children registered as living in your council's area by taxi to schools outside your council area and the numbers of children being transported?

Home to school transport for Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities = £518,983 (including the cost of passenger assistance)

Of these, without revealing any names or personal data, can you tell me furthest five distances travelled by taxi by these pupils and the transport costs to the council in 2016/17 of each?

77.6 miles - £23,750 76.0 miles - £33,045 69.4 miles - £5,280 67.4 miles - £1,404 47.2 miles - £23,024

Please note that not all of these pupils were in out of city placement for the full academic year, and the above illustrates the amount spent based on the length of time of the placement.

Can you break the overall figures (both numbers of children and cost) down into two groups - children with special needs and deaf children - providing also the distances travelled by the five children in each group that travelled the furthest by taxi and the cost to the council of each?

Туре	No Children	Cost
Deaf	4	£46,010
Special Needs	60	£472,973

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Deaf Children	Daily Mileage	Cost
Child 1	77.6 miles x 190 days	£23,750
Child 2,3 & 4 (Shared route)	41.60 miles x 190 days	£22,260

Special Needs Children	Distance Travelled and No days	Cost
Child 1	76 miles x 190 days	£33,045
Child 2	69.4 miles x 66 days	£5,280
Child 3	67.4 miles x 13 days	£1,404
Child 4, Child 5	47.2 miles x 190 days	£23,024