I am writing on behalf of Chris Daniels to respond to your information request:

1. How many schools make up the community for your Local Authority? **58 schools**

2. How many staff are employed in those schools? **Circa 3,000 staff**

3. How are HR and Payroll services provided to those schools, specifically whether:

   a. You provide these services directly (i.e. you employ your own HR and /or Payroll department)? **We provide these services directly as described**

   b. You currently outsource this provision to a third party, if so who is this party? **No**

   c. You operate a brokering service from which schools can purchase these services, and if so who is the responsible officer within your organisation for that? **Schools can opt to purchase their payroll service elsewhere if they wish**

   d. Given the governments agenda around the Academy/Free school initiative, do you have intentions in the short/medium term to change the way in which HR and/or Payroll services are delivered to your community of schools? **No plans to change**

This concludes your request FOI64269

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Yours sincerely

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