Further to your Information request **FOI64329** please find your questions and our responses below:

**Request:** For each of the school years 5 thru 11: How many pupils with high- functioning Autistic Spectrum Disorders (including Asperger’s and Pervasive Developmental Disorder) does the authority have placed in independent special schools in; What is the total cost of independent special schools fees for pupils with high- functioning Autistic Spectrum Disorders (including Asperger’s and Pervasive Developmental Disorder) And what is the average cost per pupil in each year group? Turning to the issue of transport for high-functioning Autistic Spectrum Disorders (including Asperger’s and Pervasive Developmental Disorder) attending independent special schools, what is the cost of transport for the pupils and What is the average cost per pupil in each year group?; In relation high- functioning Autistic Spectrum Disorders (including Asperger’s and Pervasive Developmental Disorder) where Local authority Maintained Mainstream Schools ( with or without units) are named on their Statement of Special Educational Needs: How many pupils are in and What is the total cost to the Local Authority of funding statements in: What is the average cost per pupil in each year group? What is the cost of transport for these statement pupils in mainstream school in; what is the average cost per pupil in each year group?

**Response:** This is a refusal notice under Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000

- **12 (1) Where costs exceed the appropriate limit.**

  (1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit. The Fees Regulations state that this cost limit is £600 for central government and £450 for all other public authorities.

  Such costs are calculated at £25 per hour per person for all authorities regardless of the actual cost or rate of pay, which means that the limit will be exceeded if these activities exceed 18 hours.

This concludes your request **FOI64329**.

If you are unhappy with the information we have provided in response to your request please write to:

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We are keen to hear about your experience with the Information Management Team – please take a few moments to complete & return the feedback form below either by e-mail to foi@rbwm.gov.uk or in writing to the address below.

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