Further to your Information request FOI65183 please find your questions and our responses below:

We would like to obtain information about children and young people with disabilities and individual budgets / direct payments, could you please respond to the following questions:

1. The number of children and young people with disabilities receiving individual budgets / direct payments in 2009/10; 2010/11; 2011/12 & 2012/13

   **Response:**
   
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Number of Children</th>
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<td>2009/10</td>
<td>53 children</td>
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<td>2010/11</td>
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<td>2011/12</td>
<td>57 children</td>
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<td>2012/13</td>
<td>51 children</td>
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2. What is the value of your current direct payments for children with disabilities and does this change depending on the level of need the child requires? I think this needs to be about hourly rates rather than value and then ask if this is enhanced different levels of need

   **Response: Scheme A (family are the employers of the personal assistant)**
   
   Standard Rate - Mon-Sat 8 a.m. – 8p.m. £12.10 per hour
   Enhanced rate – All other times inc bank holidays £22.32 per hour

   **Scheme B (family employ a worker through an agency)**
   £17.00 per hour

   **N.B. hourly rate does not vary depending on the need of the child**

3. What was the total value of all direct payments paid to children with disabilities in 2009/10; 2010/11; 2011/12; & 2012/13

   **Response:**
   
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<th>Year</th>
<th>Total Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>2009/10</td>
<td>£167,391.76</td>
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<td>2010/11</td>
<td>£134,682.06</td>
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<td>2011/12</td>
<td>£173,786.89</td>
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<td>2012/13</td>
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4. Can you give an indication on what people are spending their money on?

   **Response:**
   
   - Personal assistants to take child out in to the community (more than half the cohort)
   - To accompany child out to clubs/social events
5. Can you break down who manages the budget of the disabled child/young person:

- Budget is managed by the service user
- Budget is managed by a broker service
- Budget is managed by the Council
- Budget is managed by a Service provider

- Budget is managed by a Family or friend **This is the RBWM model, normally parents manage the direct payment of the child.**

6. Have you commissioned a support agency/broker type model to manage people direct payments and if not are you planning to commission this in the future?

**Response:** No we have not commissioned an agency/broker. The LA manages this itself. We have no plans at present to commission this.

This concludes your request FOI65183

If you require translation of the information you have been sent please do not hesitate the contact us.

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

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