Further to your Information request FOI65435 please find your questions and our responses below:

1. Whether the local authority had definitely secured sufficient places for every disadvantaged two year old who became eligible for free nursery education in September of this year (please answer with a ‘Yes’ or ‘No’).

**Response:** Yes, we have secured places for all eligible children that have to date applied for places.

2. If the answer to Question 1 is ‘No’:
   a. how many places the local authority were expected to secure by the Department for Education;

   **Response:** The estimated number of eligible children in RBWM was 203

   b. how many places the local authority had secured by 1 September, and;

   **Response:** 110 children took up a free place during the summer term.

   c. when the local authority expects the target number of places to be met.

   **Response:** This depends on whether there are 203 children in RBWM that are all eligible and whether they all apply for and take up a place. We will do all we can to ensure that all parents of eligible children are made aware of their entitlement and given the opportunity to apply for a free place.

3. Whether the local authority expects to have secured a sufficient number of places for every two year old who will become eligible for free nursery education in September 2014.

   **Response:** Yes we expect to meet our statutory obligation to have a place for all eligible children living in RBWM that apply to take up their free entitlement.

4. How much capital funding the local authority had allocated to childcare providers to increase capacity in pursuit of meeting its two year old offer target as of 1 September 2013.

   **Response:** £20,000 has so far been allocated.

This concludes your request FOI65435.

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