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Emailed to: fairfundingforourkids@outlook.com

**CHILDREN &
LEARNING**
Strategic Director:
Margo Williamson

Dear Ms Roberts

Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your information request dated 22 June 2016 (received by the Council on the same day) which has been passed to me for attention.

You have requested the following information:

1 In your local authority, what was the estimated population in 2015/16 of:

- a) Vulnerable 2 year olds eligible for free early years and childcare provision?**
- b) 3 – 5 year olds eligible for free early years and childcare provision?**

The council does not produce or hold information relating to population estimates. The data you require may be available from the National Records of Scotland.

2 In the final term of 2015/16 how many early years and childcare places were made available for:

- a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?**

35 places in council nurseries as at June 2016 for eligible two year olds.

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Angus Council funded 98 eligible 2 year olds within our partner providers. However, we are unable to give a figure for the number of places made available by these providers.

b) 3 - 5 year olds?

1824 places in council nurseries as at June 2016.

The council is also in partnership with 11 private and 23 voluntary providers where 628 eligible 3-5 year olds received a funded place. However, we are unable to give a figure for the number of places made available by these providers.

3 In the final term of 2015/16 how many early years and childcare places for vulnerable 2 year olds were made available in

a) Council nurseries?

35 places for eligible two year olds.

b) Partner providers?

Angus Council funded 98 eligible 2 year olds within our partner providers. However, we are unable to give a figure for the number of places made available by these providers.

4 In the final term of 2015/16 how many early years and childcare places for 3 – 5 year olds were made available in

a) Council nurseries? - 1824

- b) Partner providers?** - The council is also in partnership with 11 private and 23 voluntary providers where 628 eligible 3-5 year olds received a funded place. However, we are unable to give a figure for the number of places made available by these providers.

5 In the final term of 2015/16, how many council nursery places for vulnerable 2 year olds were made available as

a) Half day, term time only?

30 places were available to eligible two year olds on a half-day, term-time basis. 5 places were available to eligible two year olds on a 2.5 hour basis over 48 weeks.

6 In the final term of 2015/16, how many council nursery places for 3 – 5 year olds were made available as

a) Half day, term time only? - 1770 places

- b) Half day, year round? – 30 places 48 weeks per year x 2.5 hours**

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- c) **Full day, term time only (ie: two free half day sessions in the same day plus lunch)?** 24 places
- d) **Full day, year round?** - None
- e) **Extended Hours/Wraparound term time only (ie: 8am to 6pm with parents paying for wrap around hours)?** – 3 small rural schools are piloting wraparound care within the school day.
- f) **Extended Hours/Wraparound, year round?** – None
- g) **Are there any other models of provision offered in council nurseries?** - Four schools and three partner providers are piloting shared placement provision in one of our burghs.

7 In term 1, 2015/16, how many council nursery places were taken up for

- a) **vulnerable 2 year olds?**

5 places for eligible two year olds.

- b) **3 – 5 year olds?**

1313 places

8 In the final term of 2015/16, how many council nursery places were taken up for

- a) **vulnerable 2 year olds?** - 25 places for eligible two year olds.
- b) **3 – 5 year olds?** - 1683 places

9 In the final term of 2015/16, how many Full Time Equivalent places are available for:

- a) **vulnerable 2 year olds?**
- b) **3 – 5 year olds?**

Angus Council did not offer any full time equivalent places during 2015/16.

10 What was the full annual value of a funded partnership place in 2015/16?

£3,800 for eligible 2 year olds

£2061.50 for 3-5 year olds

11 Do you fund all eligible children attending partner providers?

Yes

12 In the final term of 2015/16 how many eligible children did not receive their early years and childcare funding whilst attending:

- a) **partnership settings?**

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b) Care Inspectorate registered childcare settings outwith the partnership scheme?

Angus Council does not hold information about partner providers or other settings.

13 How many funded partnership places did you commission in 2015/16?

The council does not commission places from partner providers, however all eligible children received a funded place if enrolled. As at June 2016 525 places were being funded.

14 How many early years staff do you employ:

a) Full time? - 101 staff

b) Part time? - 103 staff

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If calling or telephoning please ask for Beth Reader on 01307 474150 or e-mail ReaderB@angus.gov.uk

Yours sincerely

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Beth Reader

Information Officer – Children and Learning

APPENDIX

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

INSPIRE (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2009

Your Right to Complain to the Council

If you are dissatisfied with the way in which Angus Council has dealt with your request for information under any of the above statutory instruments, you have a right to ask the council to review its actions and/or decisions regarding your request. If you wish to do this, you should make your request, after expiry of the compliance period, to the Head of Legal & Democratic Services, Resources Directorate, Angus Council, Angus House, Orchardbank Business Park, Forfar DD8 1AN or e-mail LegDem@angus.gov.uk within 40 working days.

Your request must:

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- give your name and address for correspondence;
- give details of the information which you originally requested from the council; and
- give the reasons why you are dissatisfied with the way in which your application for information has been dealt with.

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Your application to the Scottish Information Commissioner must:

- be in a recordable format (letter, e-mail, audio tape etc);
- give your name and address for correspondence.
- give details of the request for information which you originally requested from the council;
- give details of why you were dissatisfied with the council's response to your original request;
- give details of why you were dissatisfied with the decision of the council's review panel.

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The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:-

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