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Subject: Case Reference 201089 Free Early Years and Childcare Provision

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Please find below the Council's response to your request 201089 which was received on 22/06/2016.

Details of request:

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?

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

a Vulnerable 2 year olds?

b 3 - 5 year olds?

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?

b Partner 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?

b Partner 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?

b Half day, year round?

c Full day, term time only (ie: two free half day sessions in the same day plus lunch)?

d Full day, year round?

e Extended hours / wrap around, term time only (ie: 8am to 6pm with parents paying for wrap around hours)?

f Extended hours / wrap around, year round?

g Are there any other models of provision offered in council nurseries?

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?
- b Half day, year round?
- c Full day, term time only (ie: two free half day sessions in the same day plus lunch)?
- d Full day, year round?
- e Extended hours / wrap around, term time only (ie: 8am to 6pm with parents paying for wrap around hours)?
- f Extended hours / wrap around, year round?
- g Are there any other models of provision offered in council nurseries?

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

- a vulnerable 2 year olds?
- b 3 ? 5 year olds?

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

- a vulnerable 2 year olds?
- b 3 ? 5 year olds?

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?

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

11 Do you fund all eligible children attending partner providers?

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

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

14. How many early years staff do you employ:

- a Full time?
- b Part time?

Response:

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?

Dumfries and Galloway Council have calculated that the estimated population is 260.

b) 3 - 5 year olds eligible for free early years and childcare provision?

Dumfries and Galloway Council have calculated that the estimated population is 2679.

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

a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?

In accordance with Section 17(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Dumfries and Galloway Council advises you that it does not hold the information requested.

We do not keep a record of how many places are available in Commissioned Providers as this can change on a daily basis.

However, we can advise that there were 137 eligible children accessing provision in Local Authority and Commissioned Providers.

b) 3 - 5 year olds?

In accordance with Section 17(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Dumfries and Galloway Council advises you that it does not hold the information requested.

We do not keep a record of how many places are available in Commissioned Providers as this can change on a daily basis.

However, we can advise that there were 1244 children accessing places. The current capacity in Local Authority Nurseries is 3196.

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?

There were 113 places available in our Local Authority Nurseries.

b) Partner providers?

In accordance with Section 17(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Dumfries and Galloway Council advises you that it does not hold the information requested.

We do not keep a record of how many places are available in Commissioned Providers as this can change on a daily basis.

However, we can advise there were 89 children accessing places.

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?

The current capacity in Local Authority Nurseries is 3196.

b) Partner providers?

In accordance with Section 17(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Dumfries and Galloway Council advises you that it does not hold the information requested.

We do not keep a record of how many places are available in Commissioned Providers as this can change on a daily basis.

However, we can advise that there were 1244 children accessing places.

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?

There were 113 places available in our Local Authority Nurseries.

b) Half day, year round?

None.

c) Full day, term time only (i.e. two free half day sessions in the same day plus lunch)?

None.

d) Full day, year round?

None.

e) Extended hours / wrap around, term time only (i.e. 8am to 6pm with parents paying for wrap around hours)?

None.

f) Extended hours / wrap around, year round?

None.

g) Are there any other models of provision offered in council nurseries?

None.

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?

There were 3076 sessions available.

b) Half day, year round?

None.

c) Full day, term time only (i.e. two free half day sessions in the same day plus lunch)?

There were 120 places available in our Council Nurseries.

d) Full day, year round?

None.

e) Extended hours / wrap around, term time only (i.e. 9am to 6pm with parents paying for wrap around hours)?

None.

f) Extended hours / wrap around, year round?

None.

g) Are there any other models of provision offered in council nurseries?

None.

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

a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?

There were 22 children accessing places in a Council Nursery in term one.
There were 81 children access places with a Commissioned Provider in term one.

b) 3 - 5 year olds?

There were 1491 children accessing places in a Council Nursery in term one.
There were 954 children accessing places with a Commissioned Provider Nursery in term one.

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

a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?

There were 24 children taking up places in the final term.

b) 3 - 5 year olds?

There were 1964 children taking up places in the final term.

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

a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?

None.

b) 3 - 5 year olds?

There were 120 places available in our Council Nurseries.

In accordance with Section 17(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, Dumfries and Galloway Council advises you that it does not hold the information requested.

We do not record the number of places in Commissioned Providers. However, the majority of Commissioned Providers offer flexibility to parents. We purchased 1244 places from Commissioned Providers in the final term.

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

To purchase 600 hours for 3 and 4 year olds = £2,406.

To purchase 600 hours for 2 year olds = £2,520.

11 Do you fund all eligible children attending partner providers?

Yes, if a parent enrolls with a Commissioned Provider the Council will purchase the place.

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?

All eligible children attending Commissioned Providers received funding from the Council.

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

None.

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

There were 1244 funded places in Commissioned Providers for 3-4 year olds.

There were 89 funded places in Commissioned Providers for 2 year olds.

14 How many early years staff do you employ:

a) Full time?

As of August 2016 the Council will have 80 full time staff.

b) Part time?

As of August 2016 the Council will have 118 part time staff.

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