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Cc: <Michaela.Allardes@eastdunbarton.gov.uk>

Dear Ms Lochhead

Thank you for your request for information. In answer to your enquiry I can provide the following response on behalf of East Dunbartonshire Council:

1. With which of your neighbouring local authorities do you have reciprocal agreements to fund children attending nursery out of their home area?

All our Boundary authorities.

2. Do you fund all eligible children attending nursery in your area whose home address is in a neighbouring council area?

Late applications may not be funded as per admission policy.

3. Do you pay parents of children at partnership nurseries in advance or in arrears?

East Dunbartonshire Council do not pay parents direct. The funding is paid to the Partnership Nursery.

4. What is the total occupancy rate of 3-5 year olds for your council's nurseries?

This figure will vary from nursery to nursery, year to year and throughout the year as we have 3 intakes. This year (2016/2017) averaged 88.8% capacity for sessional places and 77% for extended places.

5. What percentage of children in your council's nurseries come from households where both households are working?

Information not held.

6. What information do you collect about the social and economic profile of children in your council's nurseries?

Information not held.

7. What data do you hold on the number of mothers in your council's area who return to work when their child starts nursery?

Information not held

Please do feel free to contact me if I can clarify any part of the response.

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Yours sincerely

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On behalf of the campaign group Fair Funding for our Kids I would like to submit the following questions.

1. With which of your neighbouring local authorities do you have reciprocal agreements to fund children attending nursery out of their home area?
2. Do you fund all eligible children attending nursery in your area whose home address is in a neighbouring council area?
3. Do you pay parents of children at partnership nurseries in advance or in arrears?
4. What is the total occupancy rate of 3-5 year olds for your council's nurseries?

5. What percentage of children in your council?s nurseries come from households where both households are working?

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7. What data do you hold on the number of mothers in your council?s area who return to work when their child starts nursery?

Thank you

Carolyn Lochhead

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