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Reply-To: <informationrightsofficer4@edinburgh.gov.uk>

Ms Carolyn Roberts

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Date: 09/01/2017

Our ref: 13539

Dear Ms Roberts

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 - Partial Release of Information

Subject: Nurseries

Thank you for your request for information of 09/12/2016, which has been processed under the terms of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Unfortunately, the Council is only able to meet part of your request; this information is released to you now. I shall address each of your questions in turn.

You asked the following:

Q1. With which of your neighbouring local authorities do you have reciprocal agreements to fund children attending nursery out of their home area?

A1. We have reciprocal arrangements with all Scottish local authorities.

Q2. Do you fund all eligible children attending nursery in your area whose home address is in a neighbouring council area?

A2. Yes.

Q3. Do you pay parents of children at partnership nurseries in advance or in arrears?

A3. Payments are made in arrears.

Q4. What is the total occupancy rate of 3-5 year olds for your council's nurseries?

A4. Full occupancy by term three.

Q5. What percentage of children in your council's nurseries come from households where both households are working?

Q6. What information do you collect about the social and economic profile of children in your council's nurseries?

Q7. What data do you hold on the number of mothers in your council's area who return to work when their child starts nursery?

A5 to A7. Unfortunately, we are unable to provide you with the information requested because it is not held by the Council.

We do not collect this data.

Please note that this letter constitutes a notice under section 17 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

To promote transparency and accountability, please note it is the Council's policy to publish all request details and responses made under the freedom of information legislation. This information will be made available through the Council's website and will not include your personal details. The disclosure log is available at the following link:

http://www.edinburgh.gov.uk/homepage/175/foi_disclosure_log

Your right to seek a review

I appreciate that our decision may disappoint you and I am sorry that we have not been able to release all the information you requested on this occasion. If you are unhappy with the way we have dealt with your request, you can ask us to review our actions and decisions by writing to:

Head of Strategy (interim)
The City of Edinburgh Council
Waverley Court Business Centre 2:1
4, East Market Street
Edinburgh
EH8 8BG or,
Email: legal.foi@edinburgh.gov.uk

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If you are not content with the outcome of the review, you can ask the Scottish Information Commissioner to review our decision. You must submit your complaint to the Commissioner within 6 months of receiving our review response. The Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
Doubledykes Road
St Andrews
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KY16 9DS
Telephone: 01334 464610
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Yours sincerely

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