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To: fairfundingforourkids@outlook.com

Dear Carolyn Roberts

Subject : Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Thank you for your request for information dated 23/06/2016, which was received by North Ayrshire Council on 23/06/2016.

We have now completed our research for the information you request and the responses to the questions submitted are listed below.

Q1: 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?

We were given estimated figures of 340 children. The increase from last year was due to the additional eligibility criteria being added.

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

The estimated population in 2015/2016 for 3-5 years olds eligible for free early years and childcare provision was 3140.

Q2: In the final term of 2015/16 how many early years and childcare places were made available for:

(a) Vulnerable 2 year olds?

386 made available through Local Authority Provision. Also uncapped provision made available by Partner Provider Nurseries and uncapped provision made available by Community Childminders through the Daycare Support Service. We were able to provide places for all children whose

parents applied for places.

(b) 3 - 5 year olds?

There are 3636 places available from the Local Authority Primary Early Years and Partner Providers for 3-5 years olds.

Q3 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?

386

(b) Partner providers?

Uncapped.

Q4: 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?

Local Authority places available 2296

(b) Partner providers?

Partner Providers places available 1340

Q5: 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?

386

(b) Half day, year round?

0

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

plus lunch)?

0

d) Full day, year round?

0

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

0

(f) Extended hours / wrap around, year round?

0

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

No – However Community Childminders through the Daycare Support Service provide year round flexible spaces.

Q6: 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?

2429

(b) Half day, year round?

0

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

124

(d) Full day, year round?

0

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

28

(f) Extended hours / wrap around, year round?

0

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

The council nurseries provide a 2 1/2 day model

Q7: In term 1, 2015/16, how many council nursery places were taken up for

(a) vulnerable 2 year olds?

127 in the first term (August 2015 to December 2015)

(b) 3 – 5 year olds?

2035 in the first term (August 2015 to December 2015)

Q8: In the final term of 2015/16, how many council nursery places were taken up for

(a) vulnerable 2 year olds?

247 in total by the end of the final term (August 2015 to June 2016)

(b) 3 – 5 year olds?

2278 in total by the end of the final term (August 2015 to June 2016)

Q9: In the final term of 2015/16, how many Full Time Equivalent places are available for

(a) vulnerable 2 year olds?

NAC do not record FTE places.

(b) 3 – 5 year olds?

NAC do not record FTE places.

Q10: What was the full annual value of a funded partnership place in 2015/16?

The Partnerships providers are funded £2,150 per annum for each child that starts at the beginning of the school term.

Q11: Do you fund all eligible children attending partner providers?

Yes.

Q12: 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?

None for vulnerable 2 year olds.

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

None for vulnerable 2 year olds.

Q13: How many funded partnership places did you commission in 2015/16?

35 vulnerable 2 year old places with Partner Providers & 31 vulnerable 2 year old places with Community Childminders through the Daycare Support Service.

Q14: How many early years staff do you employ:

(a) Full time?

(b) Part time?

98

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Yours sincerely

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Date: 22/06/2016 15:07

Subject: FOI request

I would like to request the following information under Freedom of  
Information  
legislation. Many thanks.

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?

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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?

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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?

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