FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

Your request for information has now been considered and the Council's response to your questions is shown below.

You asked:

1) Actual spend by the Council on the provision of support for dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2009/10 and 2010/11, including staffing and all other expenditure.

Funding support for all pupils with SEND is delegated to schools and thus it is impossible to factor out the specific amounts for support for dyslexic school pupils. We don't have a dedicated team to support pupils with dyslexia, the more generic of our support teams ie the Psychology Service and the learning and autism support team have it as part of their overall brief.

2) Projected or budgeted council spending on the provision of support for dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2011/12, and 2012/13, including staffing and all other expenditure.

As above, there is no discrete budget for supporting dyslexic pupils, it forms part of the overall SEND budget.

3) The number of full time equivalent staff employed by the local authority to assist dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2009/10, and 2010/11.

We do not have staff dedicated solely to assisting dyslexic pupils. All the learning support and psychology teams have this as part of their brief.

4) The projected number of full time equivalent staff employed by the local authority to assist dyslexic school pupils (with or without statements) in the financial years 2011/12, and 2012 /13.

Please see the response to question 3

5) The number of full time equivalent specialist dyslexia teachers employed by the Council in the financial years 2009/10, and 2010/11.

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6) The projected number of full time equivalent specialist dyslexia teachers to be employed by the Council in the financial years 2011/2012, and 2012/13.

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Yours sincerely

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