

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:

Please confirm the total number of schools in the local education authority area.

ANSWER:

There are 108 schools in the local education authority area.

Please confirm whether the local education authority has produced any guidance or policy documents which provide general advice to schools about whether or not parents/family members/carers are permitted to take photographs of children at school events, for example sports days, school plays and concepts?

Yes, guidance within a common sense approach has been developed and made available to LEA schools. This guidance is designed to ensure schools protect vulnerable children and ensure compliance with the Data Protection Act

If the local education authority has produced any such guidance or policy documents, is such policy/guidance provided to all schools in the local education authority area?

This guidance document is available to all schools that use the services of the LEA health and safety advisory service

If the local education authority has produced any such guidance or policy documents or advice please provide a copy of such documentation.

Yes, please see attached.

If the local education authority does not produce standard guidance or policy documents to schools in its area please confirm whether, during the past two years, it has received any ad hoc requests for advice from schools in its area in relation to parents taking photographs at school/school events, and if it has received any such requests please confirm the substance of the advice that was provided.

Not applicable.

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