

Information request regarding school-related debts - not including debts related to school meals.

Are there school-related debts incurred by pupils and their families, e.g. for course

- materials in school?
- If so, can you detail the categories of these school-related debts?
- What is the total value of these other school-related debts, broken down by category?
- Can you provide breakdowns for each of these categories for the past five years?
- How far back in time does the total amount of school-related debts extend?
- When, if ever, school-related debts are written off.
- Does the school or local authority refer families with school-related debts to money advice or other similar local services?

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide you with the information you have requested as the cost to the Council of locating, retrieving and providing you with the information exceeds the statutory maximum of £600.

This information is not held centrally and, in order to provide the information you requested, each school will need to provide the information and this will then need to be collated.

There are 123 schools and, to collect all of the data requested, would take each of them at least 30 mins, especially to collect data for previous years. Therefore, this task would take 61.5 hours to complete.