

## 35559 School Breakfast Provision

Following a discussion with Magic Breakfast on 21/01/2022, the request is amended to cover all City of Edinburgh primary schools.

Do your schools run a school breakfast provision (e.g., breakfast club, grab and go model, classroom provision)?

The City of Edinburgh Council has 89 Local Authority primary schools. 86 currently have operational Breakfast Clubs. Three are in the process of handover with their Breakfast Clubs soon to recommence.

If no, what are the barriers to providing breakfast provision (e.g., Cost, Staff Resource, Facilities, None - we are not aware of demand for provision, Other, please specify)?

There are no barriers. Support is provided to ensure that all City of Edinburgh Council (CEC) primary schools offer Breakfast Club provision to their children and families.

If yes, how many pupils attend the breakfast provision, on a typical day?

Breakfast Clubs range in size from around 15 to 120 children attending each day.

If yes, is there a charge for pupils who attend this provision and what is the charge?

Yes, many of our Breakfast Clubs charge a fee to attend but all Breakfast Clubs are required to provide some free places for families where a need has been identified. Charges range from:

School-managed Breakfast Clubs: Free for all places – around £2 per day, per child.

Commercial/charitable/social enterprise: Limited free places – around £5.50 per day, per child.

How many pupils can attend for free, if any?

This varies and is dependent on the provider:

School-managed Breakfast Clubs: Some school communities with high levels of poverty, and where food insecurity is prevalent, offer their Breakfast Club free to all children. Schools where places are utilised by working parents for childcare purposes, will offer a smaller number of free places. It is an expectation that all school-managed Breakfast Clubs have some free places available support to their families.

Commercial/charitable/social enterprise: A smaller percentage of free places are available. This is negotiated individually with the provider.

What are the criteria linked to pupils attending for free (e.g., in receipt of FSM)?

There are no criteria, the allocation of free places is at the discretion of the school management team. Schools know their families' needs and requirements well so they can allocate a free place as appropriate and where need is identified.

How is this breakfast provision funded? Please tell us all that apply. (e.g., Local Authority funding, Pupil Equity Funding, School budget, Charity funding, Childcare paid provision, User pay non childcare provision, Greggs' funding, Kellogg's funding, Other, please specify).

The City of Edinburgh Council provides some funding for school-managed Breakfast Clubs only. It is distributed proportionately according to SMID deciles. Some schools also use Pupil Equity Fund (PEF). Some schools are also in receipt of additional funding/goods in kind through corporate sponsorship, community benefits and/or grant funding. Schools can access this support themselves or with the help of the Council's central team. Examples include, AEGON, abrdn and other corporate businesses, Greggs, Magic Breakfast, Fairshare and Kellogg's. School-managed Breakfast Clubs account for around 50% of Breakfast Clubs in Edinburgh. The remainder of Breakfast Clubs are delivered by commercial organisations, social enterprises or those with charitable status. Parents pay a fee to attend. Some free places are negotiated.

How is your provision staffed (e.g., School staff, paid non-school staff, Volunteers, Other, please specify)?

This varies:

1. School-managed Breakfast Clubs: Mainly school staff and some volunteers
2. Commercial, social enterprises and charities: Employ their own qualified staff. This provision is regulated through the Care Inspectorate.