

How many applications to the school uniform grant have there been, broken down by month, from August 2011 to present.

This information is not held on the applications per month. Here is a breakdown by year. No information is held for 2015/16.

Please note that the information is provided by financial year (1 Apr-31 Mar)

Please also note that from summer 2017 the Council began issuing payments direct to bank accounts, as the Council changed from vouchers to cash payments.

Year	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22 (as at Feb 2022)	
<b>Number of awards</b>	6706	6722	6265	5858	Information not held	2743	4939	5776	5622	8385	8468	
<b>Amount</b>	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	Primary: £43 Secondary: £50	£100 per child	£100 per child	£100 per child	Primary: £120 Secondary: £150

How many applications have been unsuccessful every month since August 2011 and for what reason were they rejected.

The Council does not record how many applications were unsuccessful.

At what point in the year was the entire school uniform grant budget spent, for every year since 2011.

As the answer below shows, the only years where the budget was entirely spent were 2020/21 and 2021/22.

In 2020/21 the budget was entirely spent in March i.e. only in the last month of the financial year.

In 2021/22 the budget was entirely spent in February.

If not all spent by year end, how much was left in the budget, broken down by year since 2011.

The table below shows the under or overspend each year.

Please note the budget does not indicate a limit on spend for school clothing grants. Anyone who applies and qualifies for this payment will receive it. The budget has also increased significantly over the time that you have asked about from £283k in 2011/12 to £1.123m in 2021/22, reflecting the increase in both the number of payments and the award per child.

The service are continually looking at ways to increase uptake including targeted campaigns, simpler application processes and extension of single financial assessment to ensure we are supporting as many citizens access this important payment.

Year	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19*	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22
<b>(Under)/overspend £</b>	(41,636)	(28,468)	(32,010)	(23,332)	(10,096)	(58,421)	(15,571)	(227,573)	(48,979)	21,624	21,413

\*There was a significant increase in the budget in 2018/19 to reflect the increased grant level

What is the lowest, highest, and average, grant given out broken down by year since 2011.

The figures provided in the table in answer to Q1 provide the data that answers this question.