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Request for information in regard to how local authorities and councils are managing their Home to School Transportation services.

Number of students, split by SEN, Mainstream and other

We are still receiving applications; therefore, we are unable to answer accurately at this time.

Number of daily return routes, split by SEN, Mainstream and other

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2022/23 budget (to the nearest £0.5M)

The 2022/23 expenditure budget for home to school transport is £6.036m.

2022/23 over/underspend (to the nearest £0.5M)

We do not hold this information. the costs for the financial year will be determined by the routes put in place for the 22/23 academic year. We will not know if there has been an overspend or underspend until the end of the year.

Do you have an integrated transport unit or does school transport sit alone?

Integrated Transport Unit.

Do you fully manage your home to school service, or do you contract out the management to another company or to operators?

The City of Edinburgh Council's Travel Hub manage all Home to School transport service awards. Requests that are unable to be provided with the Councils internal fleet are contracted out to Private Operators through a Framework.

What transport management software do you use.

In line with advice from the National Cyber Security Centre, we do not provide information relating to hardware, software and systems and therefore, unfortunately, it is not possible to provide you with the information you have requested on this occasion.

By placing information about our systems into the public domain we would potentially be putting our IT framework at risk. This would prejudice substantially the Council's ability to effectively carry out its business if its IT framework were compromised as a consequence of the disclosure of this information.

What is the size of your home to school transport team, split by grade structure (ie, 1 x manager, 2 x principal officers, 10 x officers, 1 x compliance officer, etc)

X1 City Wide Service Manager, X1 Operations Manager, X5 Transport Supervisors, X6 Travel Advisers, X80 Drivers, X67 Passenger Assistants.

In which directorate does home to school transport sit?

PLACE, Operational Support, Performance & Improvement

Do you operate a DPS system or do you allocate certain geographical zones to one or more dedicated operator?

We operate a framework of fixed pricing based on mileage brackets, whereby journeys are called-off by Price and Quality Score. For journeys where no costs are available, The Council's Travel Hub send out Mini Tender competitions to all contractors on the framework for bids.