54925 Spending on ASL (Additional Support for Learning) - 2014-15 to 2024-25

ASL (Additional Support for Learning), defined as services and support for children and young people up to the age of 25 with special educational needs or disabilities. This includes Education, specialist educational provision, ASL transport, and any other direct support provided by the council.

The information you have requested in the first and last question is available online via the <u>Scottish Government</u>. Specifically, this is provided within the workbooks for each financial year, particularly the 'LFR 01 - Education' workbook, where a breakdown of spending by ASL is provided.

Please provide, for the respective years, the gross expenditure on ASL (Additional Support for Learning) broken down by category, including but not limited to:

- Specialist Educational Placements- Funding for places at special schools, including independent or out-of-county schools.
- Education (e.g., specialist teaching assistants).
- ASL Transport Transport for children and young people with ASL to schools or colleges.
- Additional Support in Mainstream Settings Funding to help mainstream schools support pupils with additional needs (e.g., SENCOs, specialist teaching).
- Specialist Support Services Therapists (e.g., speech and language therapy, occupational therapy), specialist teachers, or educational psychologists.
- Short Breaks/Respite Care- Services for families of children with ASL to give carers a break.
- Transition Services Support for young people with ASL moving into adulthood (often overlaps with adult social care).
- Early Years ASL Support Targeted support for children with ASL in nurseries or early years settings.
- Other Advisory or Inclusion Services Local teams providing advice to schools on inclusion strategies.

The total amount in the respective years received from central government to fulfil these obligations.

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

Total council expenditure from 2014-15 to 2024-25 inclusive, broken down by year.

Please refer to response to the first question.