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Request for specific internal and external communications regarding teacher employment and the use of Scottish Government education funding.

Please provide the following:

- Communications with Scottish Government and COSLA (March 2025 - present)

All correspondence (emails, letters, formal submissions, meeting notes) between your authority and:

Scottish Government Education Directorate
Cabinet Secretary for Education
COSLA
Joint Education Assurance Board

...specifically regarding:

Teacher number commitments or targets

Implementation of the December 2024 funding agreement (£186.5m + £69m)

Reporting on teacher numbers to Scottish Government

Any requests for flexibility or exemptions from teacher number commitments

- Papers Submitted to Council/Education Committee (March 2025 - present)

Any reports, papers, or briefings presented to:

Full Council meetings
Education Committee meetings
Policy & Resources/Finance Committee meetings

...that discuss or include information on:

Teacher numbers or teacher employment

Use of Scottish Government education funding

Creating, freezing, or reducing teacher posts

Budget allocations for education/teachers

- Senior Officer Communications on Teacher Posts (March 2025 - present)

Emails or memos between the following named positions ONLY (not all staff):

Chief Executive
Director of Education (or equivalent)
Head of HR/Workforce Planning
Chief Finance Officer/Section 95 Officer

I am requesting only communications between the four named senior positions, not organization-wide email searches

...where the subject line or content includes the terms:

'Teacher numbers'

'Teacher posts'

'Scottish Government' AND 'education funding'

'COSLA' AND 'teachers'

'Permanent posts'

Time Period: 1 March 2025 to present (approximately 7 months)

Information in response to your request has been answered in response to a previous request and this is available publicly on the [Disclosure log](#) under reference 54449.

The committee papers are available at the links below:

Education, Children & Families Committee

<https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=143&Year=0>

Finance and Resources Committee

<https://democracy.edinburgh.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=140&Year=0>