

Reference: FOI-683

Request:

Please send me all available details relating to the following questions in regards to children's social services at your local authorities OR all local authorities relevant to your organisation:

- 1. How much has your local authority spent appealing special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) tribunals over the last five years (2017 2022)? Please give your answer on a year-on-year basis.
- 2. How many SEND tribunals has your local authority appealed over the last five years (2017 2022)? Please give your answer on a year-on-year basis.
- 3. What percentage of appeals against SEND tribunal decisions lodged by the council were successful for each of the past five years? Please give your answer on a year-on-year basis.

Response:

- Information not held. The Local Authority does not have a separate budget allocation for this work, as Tribunal work is a part of staff core responsibilities, therefore we can't disaggregate the costs of preparing for tribunals from more general costs.
- 2. The council has chosen not to appeal any tribunal decisions in the last five years.
- 3. N/A, see question 2.

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