



## Reference: RFI 1709018

### Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide me with the following information:

1. the amount of money spent on asbestos management in schools between 2006 and 2016 (to include the costs of surveys, staff training and work to enclose asbestos within schools).

A total of £294,379 has been identified as being spent on asbestos management in schools, including management surveys, targeted refurbishment & demolition surveys, and air monitoring for the period between 2006 to 2016.

It is not possible to put a figure on the cost of specific training as budgets are held centrally for all staff training.

2. the amount of money spent on asbestos removal from schools between 2006 and 2016.

A total of £214,159 has been identified as being spent on asbestos removal in schools for the period between 2006 to 2016.

This figure does not include removal of asbestos as part of major capital works delivered on schools sites as the cost associated with ACM removal is contained within the overall project cost in these cases.

3. the amount of money spent on fines for breaches in the safe management of asbestos in schools between 2006 and 2016.

£23,000.

4. funding sought from the Department of Education and the Education Funding Authority for the management and removal of asbestos from schools between 2006 and 2016

None

5. the amount of funding approved by the Department of Education and the Education Funding Authority for the management and removal of asbestos from schools between 2006 and 2016

The DfE/EFA do not provide specific funding for the management and removal of asbestos in Local Authority maintained schools. Any costs associated with Local Authority led works are contained within the annual Schools Capital Allocation received from the EFA on an annual basis.

6. the projected budget for future management of asbestos in schools between 2017 and 2027.

There is no specific budget allocated for the control of asbestos within school sites. Each school has an Asbestos Management Plan (held on site), which indicates the location, type and condition of the asbestos containing materials (ACMs) within the building.

Any works required to mitigate and manage the identified ACMs or where planned activities may impact or disturb ACMs, are managed in co-ordination with the council's project delivery teams. The costs associated with these works would be contained within the source of capital funding specific for that particular project, or from funding held by individual schools at a local level.