Home Education Services Within Local Authorities (England)

Barking and Dagenham
Elective Home Education sits within the Attendance Service. 2012-13 S251 budget statement the attendance service is allocated to line 2.0.9 Education welfare service. There is no budget allocated to elective home education.

Barnet
Elective Home Education is part of the work done by an Advisory Teacher in the High Incidence Support Team. The S251 lines that may relate to Home Education which are as follows:- Behaviour Support Services 1.3.2 Parent Partnership 2.0.4 Education Welfare 2.0.9 School Improvement 2.0.10. There is no distinct budget line for Home Education and is subsumed within the above services on a needs basis.

Bath & North East Somerset Council
The responsibility for Elective Home Education support resides with the Education Inclusion Service. Within that service those with statements of SEN are supported by the SEN Section. Those without statements of SEN are supported by the Children Missing education Service. There is no specific budget for home education support. Where a child has a statement of SEN the budget lies within the SEN budgets. Where a child does not have a statement services respond as and where necessary. If any additional funding is required this is made available via the Education Inclusion Service. There is no discrete budget for elective home education.

Bedford
Children’s Services, Schools and Families under Student Support Services. Home Education services comes under line 2.1.2 (SEN administration, access, co-ordination & monitoring) within the "other education and community budget" of the section 251 analysis. The budget sum allocated to Home Education service and support for 2012/2013 is £34,027.

Bexley
Home Education Officer sits in a dedicated team managed by Head of Inclusion who works in the Schools and Educational Improvement Department. There is no specific budget line in the S251 to record home education. These costs are included as part of the line for ‘school improvement’. The forward budget sum allocated to home education services and support is £42,509.

Birmingham
The Elective Home Education Team (EHE) of Birmingham local authority currently sits within the School Admissions and Pupil Placements Service (within the directorate of Children, Young People and Families) The budget allocation would come within 'other support services' as part of the total staffing budget allocated to the School Admissions and Pupil Placement Service. The current total allocation for EHE staff is £91,077.

Blackburn with Darwen
The responsibility for administering the elective home education process in Blackburn with Darwen is held within Regulatory Services. The monitoring function of the service is spread over several teams within the Education Department and therefore is not included on a single line on the s251 table.
Blackpool
Elective Home Education sits within the **Diversity Learning Team** within the **Learning, Access and Inclusion** Section of Children’s Services. Home education services are included on line 1.3.3 of the 2012/13 s251 table, “Education out of school”. A budget of £51k has been allocated to home education service and support in 2012/13.

Bolton
Elective Home Education is part of the responsibility for Bolton Council’s **Achievement, Cohesion and Integration Service** (ACIS), Shepherd Cross Street, Bolton. BL1 3BY. It is managed/monitored by Kathryn Chatwin (ACIS’ **Outreach support & International Teacher**). ACIS budget (inc EHE) is included in line 1.2.3 **Support for Inclusion** - LA Table S251. £15,000 per annum is ring-fenced for EHE, all funding is spent on actual provision (i.e. bought in training).

Bournemouth
**Education Improvement Services, School Improvement.** £30,000 forward budget

Bracknell Forest
The administration for Elective Home Education sits with the Team Leader for **Education Welfare, in Targeted Services**, Children Young People & Learning. The monitoring sits within the School Advisers team, Children Young people & Learning. Lines 2.0.9 and 2.0.10 on s251 budget. There is no direct budget to support elective home education which is delivered by 2 different Teams. However, an estimate of likely cost next year is £12,500.

Bradford
**Access and Inclusion as part of the Special Education Needs Service** which incorporates **Learning Support Services**. Line 1.3.3 **education out of school** £452K (includes all education out of school not just elective home education)

Brent
Elective Home Education currently sits in Children & Families Department in the **Education Welfare Service.** S251 table- 2.0.9. Education Welfare Service. There is no discrete budget allocation within the service.

Brighton
The home education service sits within the **Learning and Partnership** team in the council. There is no specific line in the Other Education and Community Budget section of the section 251 statement for home education. There is a line (1.3.3) in the Schools Budget section for ‘Education Out of School’ but not all of this budget would necessarily be allocated to home education. We do not specifically budget for home education but all services funded within the Other Education & Community Budget, if eligible, would be available to home educated children.

Bristol
Elective home education sits within CYPS in **Education. Line 1.3.3 education out of school.** The forward budget is £18,378
**Bromley**
Elective home education currently sits within the **Home and Hospital Tuition Service**, which is part of the **Behaviour Service**. For 2012/13, this was shown in the ‘Education out of School’ line. For 2013/14, this line has been deleted from the draft s251 return. As this will remain part of the Schools Budget, this will most likely go on line ‘Other AP provision’ in the **High Needs Budget**, however as the return and guidance haven’t yet been finalised, this may change. The total estimated amount in the 2013/14 budget is currently £26,300, however please note that this is still subject to approval by Full Council in February.

**Buckinghamshire**
Elective Home Education (EHE) sits within the **Exclusions & Reintegration Team**, under Fair Access & Youth Provision, in Learning Skills & Prevention. Line 2.0.10 "School Improvement Service". The EHE budget is £72,000.

**Bury**
Home education sits within the **School Attendance team** and within their budget. There is no allocated budget but all expenses related to home education are funded through the **School Attendance Team budget**.

**Calderdale**
EHE currently sits within **Education Welfare. Line 2.0.9 - Education Welfare**. No specifically identified budget, as this comes within the generic EWS budget as a **senior Education Welfare Officer** undertakes the EHE role. Roughly equates to £4,390

**Cambridgeshire**
The Home Education Service sits within the **Enhanced and Preventative Services Directorate of Children and Young People’s Services and is within Access.** The line for which the Home Education Service sits is within **line 2.0.9 Education welfare service**, with the whole budget of £17,000 being attributed here. Going forward to 2013/14 we expect the cost will be similar to the above.

**Camden**
The **Education Welfare Service** coordinates the central list of pupils known to be home educated and **ensures that programmes delivered to children and young people are monitored at least annually**. The Camden **School Improvement Service** employs a sessional Home Education Advisor to **monitor programmes** and provide advice to parents /carers. Elective Home Education is not shown separately on s251 budget. Home Education is located within CSF **Inclusion Welfare Service** Budget and within **School Improvement Service**. There is no identified separate budget for Home Education which is within the overall budget for each service. The Budget information is available at the following website address: [http://www.camden.gov.uk/ccm/cms-service/download/asset?asset_id=2992573](http://www.camden.gov.uk/ccm/cms-service/download/asset?asset_id=2992573) EW705 Education Welfare Service page 290
Central Bedfordshire
Responsibility for Elective Home Educations sits within the Access and Inclusion Service. 2.0.4 – Parent Partnership, guidance and information 2.0.9 – School Improvement 2.0.10 – Education Welfare Services, The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £10k

Cheshire East
Within the Children and Families Service under the Monitoring and Interventions. This includes Education Welfare, Learning Outside the classroom, school Improvement, Exclusion and fair Access and EHE. It is included in S251 line 2.0.9 Education Welfare Service. The EHE officer is on Soulbury 5-8 scale. His work and role includes other aspects unrelated to EHE (c. 25%). Time is also spent with organisations and families exploring options available, which may or may not result in a family choosing EHE or returning/beginning school. There is small admin support 10% of JNC grade 4

Cheshire West and Chester
The responsibilities for Elective Home Education sit within the Education Welfare Service. The budget sits in line 209 of the base budget this supports 1 FTE Education Advisor who is supported by the cohort of 10 Education Welfare Officers who are locality based. There is also additional administration support from a Business Support Officer. The Forward budget of £55,000 will also include additional support from an Education Advisor specifically for the cohort of EHE who are of Gypsy Roma Traveller heritage the current figure for our authority is 56 pupils. Education Welfare Officers will also support families as required working from the 3 locality teams. If a figure is required for this information a request to finance will need to be made

City of London
Home Education sits in the Education and Early Years’ Service under the management of the Family and Young People's Service Projects Manager. In the case of the City of London it is not practical, nor would it improve the quality to place this in a dedicated team or neutral location as the average number of Home Educated children in the City for the last five years has been one child. As the number of children accessing home education in the City of London is very low there is no separate budget identified and funding is allocated based on needs. Please note that the City (the "Square Mile") has a resident population of only about 7400 people

Cornwall
Elective Home Education sits in the Schools, Achievement and Special Educational Needs (SEN) service area within the Children, Schools and Families Directorate. Education Out of School – line 1.3.3. £121,000 forward budget plus central recharges of £19,810.

Coventry
Home education is within the Education and Learning Service in SEN Management Service team. Line 1.3.3 on s251 budget. The budget is in the order of £14,000 but it is not a discrete amount. The work is undertaken by education officers and administrative staff who have a range of duties.

Croydon
Home education sits within the Learning Access Service within the Children, Families and Learning department. 1.3.3 Education Out of School. £53,174 forward budget
Cumbria
Home Education sits within the Learning Improvement Service. The Home Education budget sits within ‘School Improvement’ on the S251 table. The notional forward budget sum for home education is £33,000, based on time allocations of learning improvement officers.

Darlington
Darlington’s Home Education Service is a stand alone team that sits within the Education Services Division of the Council. All expenditure is included in line 1.3.3. £338,560 covers both the Home & Hospital Services (no separate figure for elective home education).

Derby
In this LA Home Education is situated within Learning and Inclusion Directorate. In 2012/13 Budget the whole cost centre was put under 1.3.2 Behaviour Support Services. Home education costs - £15,500, made up of half time post and adhoc support.

Derbyshire
There is a dedicated EHE officer, with a team of contracted EHE consultants in the Schools and Learning Department, Education Improvement Service. The Education Improvement Service budget is shown in line 2.0.10 school improvement on the S251.

Devon
Elective Home Education (EHE) is part of the Joint Venture LLP between Devon County Council and Babcock Education. EHE is referenced to 1.3.3 “Education Out of School” of Devon’s Section 251 return (2012-13). For 2012-13 the Designated School Grant funding allocated to Section 251 reference 1.3.3 is £163k.

Doncaster
Response: Home Education services within Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council (DMBC) sit in Children and Young people’s services (CYPS) Directorate within the Education service. Home Education services are the direct responsibility of the Learner Engagement service within the Education team. The allocation for Home Education services is included in line 1.3.3 of the section 251 budget statement. This line is titled ‘Education out of school’. At this stage in the financial year the forward planned budget allocations for planned expenditure on Education and Childrens Social care services are subject to formal presentation and agreement by the Councils cabinet. Until ratified the budget allocations may be subject to change and therefore the forward budget allocations including that for Home Education services are not available for wider circulation.

Dorset
Home Education - generally referred to as Elective Home Education (EHE) in Dorset - is located within the Early Intervention Services part of the Children's Services Directorate. The EHE officer reports directly to the Head of Early Intervention Services and deploys a small team of inspectors who visit families by agreement to look at what education is being provided and how it is progressing. Line 1.3.3 “Education Out of School” on the Section 251 table relates to EHE. The forward budget for 2013-14 is £22,600.

Dudley
Education Services. For the 2011/12 financial year, actual expenditure was included on row 74 - Education out of School. A budget of £52,500 was allocated for the 2011/12 financial year.
**Durham**
Within the Education service of Children and Adult Services. Home Education is included in Line 1.3.3 ‘Education Out of School’. Our response: £1.151m (provisional figure for 2013/2014, will be finalised at the end of March 2013) The Council does not identify budgets for elective education and as such we can confirm under s1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold this information.

**Ealing**
Children’s Services Safeguarding & Support Behaviour and Social Inclusion Service. The employees who deal with home education as part of their roles are primarily reported at 1.2.3 Support for Inclusion. There is no specific budget for home education, this is included as part of several employees overall roles.

**East Riding**
Elective home tuition sits within the Council’s Education Welfare Service. Home tuition for children with special educational needs sits within Inclusion and Access Services. Elective home tuition is included in line 2.0.9 Education Welfare Service in the S251 table. Home tuition for children with special educational needs is split between line 1.3.3 Education Out of School and 2.0.2 SEN Administration and Coordination. The 2012-13 budgets allocated to home tuition are Elective home tuition - £23,500. Home tuition for children with special educational needs - £419,830.

**East Sussex**
Education Support Behaviour and Attendance (ESBAS) – Flexible Learning Education Support Service (FLESS) which carries out the duty of the local authority to ensure that all children receive a suitable education. The budget for Home Education Services is covered within (2.0.6) in ‘Other Education and Community Budget’ and within (1.3.3) ‘Education out of School’. The forward Budgets for 2013/14 have not yet been agreed. This is expected to be completed by the end of this financial year.

**Enfield**
The Home Education service sits with our admissions team. The total budget provision for Home Education for 2012-13 is £34,170. This comprises £24,170 general fund and a £10,000 contribution from the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG). Within the Section 251 statement the general fund element is assigned to row 2.0.4 (Parent partnership, guidance and information), the DSG element is shown on row 1.3.3(Education out of school). The budget provision for 2013-14 will be maintained at a similar level.

**Essex**
Home Education Advisors currently sit within the remit of the Head of Education Welfare. Home Education is allocated within the Section 251 line for Essex County Council under 1.3.3 Education Out Of School. The 2012-13 Home Education Advisor budget is £129,347

**Gateshead**
In Gateshead we currently have an EHE team consisting of a co-ordinator, liaison teacher and administrative support all of whom sit within our education Gateshead service who support schools, learners and parents. As these team members carry out a number of different roles and due to the different support requirements
each EHE parent requires we are unable to put a cost on this support but the budget is held within the s251 table under 2.0.10. school improvement. As the authority is still looking at current resources in relation to the government settlement which may require further amalgamation of teams and the potential reduction in our work, at this stage it is difficult to identify any specific budget provision for EHE.

Gloucestershire
Within the Education Learning and Libraries area. All funding sits on line 1.3.3 Education Out of School. Budgets have not yet been set for the next 2013/14 financial year.

Greenwich
Within the Inclusion, Learning and Achievement service, which is part of the Directorate of Children’s Services. Education Welfare in the s251 budget. £37,000 forward budget.

Hackney
The co-ordination of EHE is within Safeguarding and Attendance and the assessments are undertaken by School Improvement Service. There is no specific budget allocated for EHE support.

Halton
EHE currently sits within inclusion 0-25 as part of the Attendance and Behaviour Service. EHE is on line 2.0.9 of the s251 table. Allocated forward annual budget for EHE circa £6,156.80

Hammersmith and Fulham
Home Education currently sits within Children’s Services Education Commissioning Directorate. The Principal Education Welfare Adviser is Elizabeth Spearman. This is contained within Centrally Retained Education Welfare on the s251 budget. The allocated budget for home education and support is £15,000

Hampshire
This sits under the Education and Inclusion Branch of the Children’s Services Department. This is included within the Statutory/ Regulatory duties line (2.1.1 on Local Authority (LA) Level information)
http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/schools/section251-201213 The budget for 1/04/2013 - 31/O3/2014 is to be found at page 25 of the Executive Member Revenue Budget report: http://www3.hants.gov.uk/councilmeetings/advsearchmeetings/meetingsitemdocuments.htm?sta=&pref=Y&item_ID=4434&tab=2http://www3.hants.gov.uk/getdecisiondocumentfile?item_doc_ID=10357&file=2013-01-23%20EMCS%20Revenue%20Budget%20Report.pdf&type=pdf (There is 1.0fte in each of the following areas, where it is anticipated that savings can be made either through natural turnover or use of existing vacant posts without significant detriment to the general quality of service or statutory responsibilities: Elective Home Education , Hampshire Inspection and Advisory Service (HIAS) – Education Officer , Family and Parenting Support – Co-ordinator ) Elective Home Education – Education of Children at home . Statutory responsibilities will be fulfilled, targeted delivery focussing on value added areas. Expenditure reduction options £50,000 1 FTE. Please note that this Budget report is subject to ratification by Full Council on 21 February 2013.

Haringey
Prevention & Early Intervention, School Admissions & School Organisation. School Admissions on s251 budget. £25572 forward budget

Harrow
Home Education currently sits within **Targeted Services**. The budget line is **Education Welfare** and the forward budget sum is £30,000

**Hartlepool**
Home education currently sits within the **performance & Achievement division** of Child & Adult Services. No single budget line includes a specific allocation for home education. It is not possible to disaggregate this – we are a small authority and posts have multiple responsibilities.

**Havering**
Home education sits within **Additional Education Needs Services**. This service area comprises school admissions, the Education Welfare Service, the Inclusions Team, the Behaviour Support service, home to school transport in addition to home education. Home education is included in the Local Authority's Section 251 statement under **line 1.3.3 - Education Otherwise**. The budget allocated for the financial year 2012-13 is £11,280. This sum is used to meet the cost of teaching staff who visit those families who are home educating their children. In addition 0.66 full-time equivalent of an administrative post is allocated to home education at a cost of £13,752 this year. There are additional costs incurred in relation to the monitoring of home education by the Manager- Alternative Education Provision and any work undertaken by the Education Welfare Service and the Community and Child Psychology Service. However, as there are no records of how much time is spent on these issues it is not possible to produce accurate estimates of these costs.

**Herefordshire**
Elective Home Education sits within Children & Young People Provider Services which is in Locality Services in the People’s Directorate of Herefordshire Council. The budget allocation is held within the Education Welfare Budget which is part of the Localities budget. Alternative provision for Year 10 and 11 young people, funded by ESF money bid for by the local authority can be accessed by EHE students. The allocation to this area for 2013/14 is £22,568.57

**Hertfordshire**
In HCC Elective Home Education sits within Integrated Services for Learning as part of the Central Attendance and Employment Support Team. This team deals with EHE, Children Missing Education, Child Employment and Child Performance Licences. EHE is mapped to line 2.0.9 (2.0.9.1) on 12/13 s251 submission 100% Non School titled Education Welfare Service. EHE is included in a group of accounts and is not singularly shown on the S251 return. The approximate budget allocated to this is £90,000 which is the staff budget and associated on costs for two qualified teacher EHE advisers (0.6fte x 2) and for a support officer. Management costs are not included in this figure.

**Hillingdon**
There is no specific budget for Home Education as it comes under the Access & Inclusion Services and it is not possible to identify any spend that is specifically for Home Education. There is one Officer and One Senior Manager allocated to deal with Home Education Matters alongside other duties.

**Hounslow**
In Hounslow the Elective Home Education support is part of the School Effectiveness Team with a small dedicated team who are line managed by a Senior Education Adviser. On S251 this sits on line 1.3.3, Education Other than at School. The forward budget is £26,400

**Hull**
Home Education comes under the **Education welfare department** which is part of the Learning and Skills Service. This service comes under the Adults, Children's and Families Directorate. Education Welfare on the s251 budget. Forward budget allocation £15,000

**Isle of Wight**
Elective Home Education currently sits within our **Alternative Provision Service**. The EHE budget is reported on **line 1.3.3 of the S251 Budget Table (Education out of school)**. The ongoing budget for this service is £154,303. This figure includes an apportionment of management costs £4.8k

**Islington**
Answer: Home education is currently shared across **Education Welfare and School Improvement Services**. For the 12-13 budget it is covered under **line 2.0.9 - Education Welfare Service** (under the "other education and community budget" heading). This line also covers a number of other services however. We have yet to calculate the S251 budget for 2013-14.

**Kensington Chelsea**
The arrangements within Kensington and Chelsea is that this responsibility is undertaken by senior officers in **School Admissions, Education Welfare Service and School Improvement Service**. There is no dedicated budget area for Elective Home Education and any staffing costs that apply would be across the three service areas. Elective Home Education is needs based and the three service areas respond to each case as required. The Admissions team are the first point of contact for parents and have the administrative role. The approximate staffing costs per year is £12 – 17K and is dependent on number of registered cases.

**Kent**
In KCC, elective home education is dealt with by a Lead Officer and up to three Elective Home Education Officers within the **Inclusion Team**. The Inclusion Team falls under the Education, Learning and Skills Directorate. In the 2012/13 s251 budget statement, this budget is included within line 1.2.3 "Support for inclusion". The four staff posts mentioned in Question 1 are part of a bigger team with a gross budget (2012-13) of £676k. However, KCC does not allocate a specific budget for home education in the sense of a sum kept solely for that purpose. The team's budget for 2013-14 has not yet been calculated.

**Kirklees**
**Specialist Learning Support Services in Learning.** The majority of the funding is under 1.3.3. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £79,213.

**Lambeth**
Elective home education sits within the **Alternative Education Service** of the Children and Young People’s Service. Work supporting elective home education is integral to the **Inclusion Team** within Alternative Education and therefore the costs cannot be separated out as requested. The benefits of elective home education sitting within the Inclusion Team is the all round support it is able to provide to oversee quality assurance, safeguarding and support to parents.

**Lancashire**
Home education falls under our Elective Home Education team which forms part of our '**Children and Young People**' directorate. Net expenditure £115.367. Budget £203,800. Underspend £88,433)

**Leeds**
Responsibility for Elective Home Education currently sits within the **Leeds Virtual College for Vulnerable Children.** This is the part of Childrens Services with a **brief to oversee our work to ensure that children**
who might be vulnerable to the risk of not reaching their educational potential do well in learning. The allocation for home education services is included in 'Education Other than at School' within the other education and community budget. The Local Authority does not fund any education where parents have elected for home education, although it does have a monitoring role. The monitoring role for 'elective home education' is not separately budgeted for or identifiable but is a part of the role of officers in the Leeds Virtual College for Vulnerable Children. It is estimated that the cost of staff time in monitoring elective home education is around £40k.

**Leicester City**
Home Education sits definitively within the **Learning Services Division** of Leicester City Council's Education and Children's Services Department. The Elective Home Education Adviser is paid from a Learning Services budget **line 2.0.10 School Improvement**. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £36,000.

**Leicestershire**
The responsibility / accountability / strategic lead / monitoring / tracking etc sits in Pupil Services, within School Admissions and Pupil Services (SA & PS) SA & PS have a service level agreement with the Learning Support Service (part of the Specialist Teaching Service) to complete the home visits & write up the visit notes. The Home Education cost is included in the proportion of the School Admissions and Pupil Services budget shown under line 2.0.5 Supply of School Places. There is not a separate budget for home education. The service cost is incorporated within the services identified in the answer to question 1, and we do not allocate any funding directly to home educators.

**Lewisham**
Within the **School Improvement Team**. 'Other Education and Community Budget' 2.0.10 School Improvement. Staff Cost:(40% of 2 Officers time @ soulbury pay scale) £25,359. Admin/Support Cost(1/2 a day of Officers time,every week) £3,170. Total £28,529.

**Lincolnshire**
Home Education sits within two areas of the authority. The responsibility for monitoring education provision and providing advice and resources sits with the Elective Home Education section of Cfbt Education services. The responsibility for recording and tracking children who are not attending mainstream schooling including those who are educated at home sits within the **Inclusion and Attendance** service area, also within Cfbt Education services. Home Education is included in 1.3.3 Education out of school. The budget for 2013-14 is £103,310.

**Liverpool**

**Luton**
The Home Education Officer sits within the **Planning & Admissions Team**. The budget for 2012/13 was included in line 2.0.9 Education Welfare, within the S251 return. The forward budget sum allocated to Home Education is £29,849.

**Manchester**
Children’s Services have a senior officer within the **Strategic Lead Team** who has responsibility for EHE as part of their remit. The Strategic Leads have responsibility for leading on the LA statutory duties including those related to elective home education. EHE funding is entered in line 1.3.3 Education out of School. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £20k.

**Medway**
The team sits within **Psychology and Inclusion** and the relevant budget is split across two lines of the S251 statement: row **2.0.6 Central Support Services, and row 2.1.1 Statutory/Regulatory Duties**. This is based on some historic apportionment not an analysis of what the team actually does now. The forward budget for staff costs is £56,062 including £12,500 on admin costs. Indirect costs including travel £2,268. No allowance has been made for management overheads and these would be additional i.e. part costs of the line manager, part costs of service manager etc.

**Merton**  
Home education sits within the Education Department. In the S251 return the allocation for home education services is included in 2.0.9, **Education Welfare Services**, within the ‘other education and community budget’. The budget for 2012-13 is: £22,240 + £22,000 + £20,000 Total £64,240 (not including specific officer support for SEND pupils) **Budgets for 2013-14 are not yet agreed**

**Middlesbrough**  
The local authority's duties in relation to elective home education sit within the **Achievement Service in the Council's Well-being, Care and Learning directorate**. It is not known which line of the 251 table includes an allocation for home education services. No budget allocation is made specifically for elective home education. The work related to supporting and monitoring provision is included in officers' core duties.

**Milton Keynes**  
The responsibility for **recording** home education sits within the **School Admissions** team with access to advice from colleagues if required. In the most recent s251 table, the allocation of budget for Home Education services is within the ‘Other Education and Community Budget’ under **Education Welfare** since this was the team that previously had responsibility for this service. The cost of providing this service in 2012-2013 is judged to be £6,158. There is not a specific team dedicated to the provision of home education. Therefore, this is an estimate of the cost of providing this support.

**Newcastle**  
In Newcastle upon Tyne Elective Home Education is based in the **School Improvement Service**, Children’s Services Directorate. There is historically a budget for the Linhope **Pupil Referral Unit** of **£3,000**. The expenditure on Home Education in 2011-12 was £36k and it is expected it will be of a similar level in 2013-14. There is no budget specifically set aside for Home Education and this will probably be located in the budget for the Linhope Pupil Referral Unit for 2013-14.

**Newham**  
1. Newham’s Home Education Service lies within our Inclusion and Behaviour Support Services, within Children’s Services. The allocation for home education does not lie within other education and community budget. It lies within Schools budget on Line 74 ‘Education out of School.’ £108,500 forward budget [not just EHE?]

**Norfolk**  
Home education forms part of the **Education Strategy and Commissioning** division and as of the beginning of this school term now sits within the **Strategic Attendance** Team. Paragraph 1.3.3 **Education out of school**. £93,000 forward budget.

**Northamptonshire**  
Responsibility for Elective Home Education sits within our **Education Entitlement Team (EET)** which is within the **Learning, Skills and Education** division of the Children, Customers and Communities
Directorate. The EET sits alongside school standards and effectiveness, SEN, strategic planning, admissions, education psychology, outdoor learning and governor services teams. We have a dedicated lead officer for EHE and all EET officers are linked to EHE students in their geographic areas.

**SEN support services (in S251 budget statement)**

**North East Lincolnshire**
The Home education service currently sits within our People and Communities Directorate. The S251 line is: 'Other Education and Community Budget': through Educational Welfare where a proportion of EWO time is allocated; School Improvement where a proportion of Children's Services Adviser time is allocated. There is no budget specifically set for home education services and support.

**North Lincolnshire**
Within the People Directorate, under Education the work is divided across EWS (Education Welfare Service) and EMTAS (Ethnic Minority & Traveller Achievement Service) for different aspects; EWS for registration of EHE and then EMTAS for assessment of suitability. Both services being under the line management of Principal Officer - Vulnerable Children and Young People. Line 209 within the ‘other education and community budget’ – Education Welfare Service. There is not a specific allocation for EHE other than the cost for staff within EMTAS, 0.4 FTE teacher ie approx £17,848 (including on-costs).

**North Somerset**
This service is within the Education Other than at School Service. Elective home education is not calculated separately and is all part of the same service. On S251 it sits on 1.3.3 “Education Other than at School” approx £73,000 - with some monitoring and management from 2.0.10 School Improvement £8,000. Elective home education is not calculated separately and is all part of the same service. Forward budget £81,000.

**North Tyneside**
Home education is currently supported within the Attendance and Education Welfare Service, which is part of the School Improvement Service. Line 2.0.9. Assuming this question relates to the 2013/14 financial year, this budget has not yet been finalised, therefore we do not currently hold this information. It will be available from 1st April 2013.

**North Yorkshire**
Home education sits within the Children & Young People's Service; the Education Social Work Service carries out the initial visit and advisers from the Quality & Improvement Service carry out the monitoring visits. The two services work closely together on case management. North Yorkshire does not have a budget for home education services within the "other education and community budget". The budget cannot be identified as a number of officers and budgets are used to support this work and are not separately identified in the accounts. I regret that we are therefore unable to provide this information, as it is not held.

**Northumberland**
Elective home education is located within the Education Other Than at School Team, within the Early Years and Schools Service. The allocation for elective home education lies within line 1.3.3 (‘Education Out of School’) of the s251 table. A specific sum has not been allocated for elective home education staffing within this budget.

**Nottingham City**
Elective home education currently sits in the Inclusive Learning Service under the Schools and Learning department of the Nottingham City local Authority. The budget is included in Line 1.3.1. The budget sum due to be spent on Elective Home Education will be approximately £31,000.
**Nottinghamshire**
The Home education Team is located with the **Education Improvement Service**, which is in the **Support to Schools Service within Education, Standards and Inclusion**. In the section 251 return for 2011-2012 the allocation for Elective Home Education was included within **School Improvement**. The Elective Home Education budget for 2012-2013 is £75,000. The budget for 2013-14 has not yet been announced as it is part of the on-going base budget review process.

**Oldham**
Elective Home Education sits in the **Attendance and Behaviour Support Service**. The S251 table includes budget for this on line 2.0.9 **Education Welfare Service**. The budget sum allocated was £21,330

**Oxfordshire**
The Home Education function currently sits under the **Behaviour, Inclusion and Attendance** service. The allocation for Home Education services is included in line 1.3.3 **(Education out of school)** on the S251 table. The budget allocated for Home Education is £58,256

**Peterborough**
At Peterborough City Council the function current rests with **the head of the pupil referral unit**. This is included at line **2.1.1 of S251**. £17,500 is the sum allocated to home education service and support.

**Plymouth**
**Alternative Complementary Education Service. Line 131: Pupil Referral Units.** Elective Home Education service and support is incorporated within the Alternative Complementary Education Service budget allocation and not recorded separately.

**Poole**
Home education is the responsibility of the **Employment and Performance** Officer within the Children, Young People and **Learning Service Unit** and managed by the Manager of the **Education Welfare Service**. The budget for elective home education services and support is not within the **“other education and community budget”** section on the Section 251. It is actually within the **“Schools Budget”** section of the Section 251, as it is funded from the Dedicated Schools Grant, and we include it within line **1.3.3 Education out of school**. The 2012-13 budget for elective home education services and support included within line 1.3.3 our Section 251 is £15,156. The 2013-14 budget hasn't yet been published; however the indicative budget remains the same as 2012-13.

**Portsmouth**
Within **Child Support Services under Attendance Monitoring Service.** (Part of the Education Service in PCC). **Line number 81** in the 2011/12 S251 outturn. No specified amount for the forward budget.

**Reading**
Gill Dunlop is Lead for Elective Home Education for Reading Borough Council - **School Improvement - Educating Children out of School**. S251 line for 12-13 : 2.0.10 School Improvement. Budget sum allowed for Elective Home Education Service is £10,000 for teacher and
Redbridge
The LA has a lead officer responsible for co-ordinating EHA activities and a support officer that carries out monitoring visits. These posts are located within the School Improvement Service. However links are made with other services for example SEN and EWO. Processing of all applications to home educate is undertaken by the LA Admissions team again with a designated officer responsible for this activity. Costs in relation to Home Education are recorded on two lines on Section 251: 2.0.10 School Improvement - £38,596 of the total figure. 1.6.3 School Admissions - £7,915 of the total figure.

Redcar Cleveland
Within Inclusion Services in Education. Line 133 of section 251 "Education out of School". The following calculations show annual salary and management commitments for the Officer responsible for monitoring pupils whose parents elect to home educate, plus funding for an education consultant to undertake home visits & quality-assure curriculum and provision for pupils receiving Elective Home Education: (0.3 × £23708) (proportion of Officer’s salary – 1.5 days a week) = £7112.40 + 20% of the above (management costs) = £1422.48 + £3142.50 (costs for Consultant’s commitments) Total annual costs = £11,677.38

Richmond
Education & Early Intervention Division. The answers are already shown in Section 251 Statements, eg. Education out of school at line 1.3.3, education welfare service at line 2.0.9, and school improvement at line 2.0.10. 2013/14 budget has not yet been agreed.

Rochdale
A borough wide Learning Support Centre, School Improvement. No discreet budget allocation, however funding is provided for equivalent of 2 days of a teacher and 1 day of an Inclusion Support Officer.

Rotherham
Elective Home Education (EHE) sits within the remit of our current Education Welfare Service structure. Education out of school is in the Section 251 line called ‘education out of school – for the 2012/13 budget table this was 1.3.3. EWS allocate 18.5 hours per week of one full-time term-time area Education Welfare Officer to the investigation, assessment, support and monitoring of EHE activity across the borough. Other than the officer’s 18.5hr salary figure of £10,189 pa we do not have any specific budget allocated to this activity.

Royal Borough Kingston on Thames
It is managed by the Education Welfare Service as part of Learning and Children’s Services School Improvement and Education Welfare. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £17K.

Royal Borough Windsor Maidenhead
We have been advised that it is led by the Teaching & Support Service (TASS), in response to referrals from Education Welfare Service. A Cross-team steering group meets six times per year. Elective Home Education visits are undertaken by Head of TASS or other TASS staff, Principal Educational Psychologist, or Head of Education Welfare Service, as appropriate. No specific budget allocated – responsibilities are spread across services.
Rutland
Home education sits in the [Children’s Social Care Team](#) working closely with the [Inclusion Service](#). On the S251 table the budget sit in [1.3.3 Education out of school](#). The forward budget is £45,000 (not just elective home education)

Salford
Elective Home Education sits within [Complex Needs SEN as part of Targeted Services](#). The rationale for this is that the Head of this service is a qualified teacher and was [previously a School Improvement Officer](#). The Consultant who carries out the work, also a qualified teacher, has a substantive post as a Keyworker in the [Integrated Youth Service](#). The costs relating to staff go against Line 2.02 – [SEN administration, assessment and coordination and monitoring](#). The costs relating to the Consultant’s time go against Line 3.7.2 – [Targeted services for young people](#) (including youth work, positive activities and IAG) There is no forward budget sum allocated to home education and support as such as we do not calculate what time is spent on it.

Sandwell
[Attendance Service (formerly Education Welfare Service)](#) Line 2.0.9 (Attendance Service) £48,030 forward budget.

Scilly Isles
Elective home education is the responsibility of the [Commissioning, Inclusion and Performance Manager School Improvement](#) Rows 2.1.6, 2.1.1 of the s251 return. Within the overall contract for strategic management from North Somerset.

Sefton
The [Complementary Education Service](#). S251 line 1.3.3 – [Education Out of School](#). The budget sum allocated for the home education service and support this year was £143,089.

Sheffield
Home Education sits with the [Hospital Service and the Pupil Referral Unit in the Inclusion and Targeted Services area](#) of Children and Young People’s Services. The expenditure sits within line 1.3.1 (Pupil Referral Units) of Section 251 ([https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/education/our-schools/budgets/school-budgets/section52.html](https://www.sheffield.gov.uk/education/our-schools/budgets/school-budgets/section52.html)). The budget allocated in 2012/13 to the Home Education Service is £53,000. This consists of £40,000 staff costs (including a small amount of admin), £8,000 provision costs and £5,000 other non staffing costs (eg premises).

Shropshire
The management of Elective Home Education sits within the [Education Access Service](#). [Visits to support and assess education are undertaken by the Education Improvement Service](#). The funding comes from several budgets including [Education Access](#), [Education Improvement](#), [Admissions](#), [Shropshire Youth](#). The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is dependent on numbers at any given time. The following costs are approximated as the roles are not exclusive to EHE delivery: Management: £5,000 Administration: £21,100 Consultants: £30,000 Education Welfare Officers £5,000. Shropshire Youth: £3,000. The total spend on provision of services for home educated children and young people is £64,100.

Slough
Home Education is led by the [Attendance Service](#) with support from other areas outside the service. Home Education falls under 2 lines in S251, [Education Welfare Service](#) and [Support for Inclusion](#). £7000 forward budget.
Solihull

School improvement advisory service. No forward budget.

Somerset

Education Attendance Service. 2.0.9 Education Welfare Service in s251 budget. Minimum amount to support Local Authority statutory responsibilities – the figure has not yet been agreed. Some support is also provided through the Central Schools budget but is subject to review as part of the School Funding Reform – not yet agreed.

Southampton

There is no one specific officer responsible for home education. The responsibility sits within Prevention and Inclusion services. There is not a budget for this, however the Melbourne school do support some students with taking their exams in Year 11 funded by the L.A. £0 - A request to Schools’ Forum in December 2012 to allocate funding to set up a post for EHE was turned down.

Southend

Department of Children and Learning. Line 74. There are no specific records held detailing specific staffing, administrative or secretarial costs relating to elective home education.

South Gloucestershire

Elective Home Education is dealt with by a small team of 2 officers and 1 support teacher (0.4); the team is located in the learning cluster of Preventative Services. We have had a look at the Section 251 budget statement for 2012-2013 and can confirm that the above area is included in 2 lines which are:- Line 1.2.3 – Support for Inclusion. Line 1.3.3 – Education out of School. It looks like the split is 50% to each line. Answer: We are unable to answer the question about the forward budget at this time as the service is undergoing a review.

Southwark

There are two elements; Home Tuition is within the Early Help Service and some services where children are educated other than within a school are placed in the Specialist Education Services. Both teams are based in the . 2.0.1 Educational psychology service . 2.0.9 Education welfare service . The costs are not specifically identifiable.

Staffordshire

Elective Home Education sits in Education Transformation which is a school improvement division of Staffordshire County Council. The expenditure for EHE in the Section 251 under Reference 2.0.10 ‘School Improvement’ as the staff sit within that area. The forward budget is £105,111.

St Helens

This Authority doesn't have a discrete budget line for Elective Home Education (EHE).

Stockport

Elective Home Education resides both in the School Admissions and Support Team and within Services for Young People Team. In terms of the provision on Section 251 Budget Statement for 2012-13 this resides on lines 1.6.3 School Admissions and 2.0.9 Education Welfare Service. There is no defined budget provision for the
Elective Home Education activity as it relates to a proportion of officers time in both the teams mentioned above. It is estimated that the costs of officers time would amount to approximately £7,000 per annum.

**Stockton**
Home Education is managed within the Education Improvement Service under the Principal Adviser (Inclusion). The spending is within Education Improvement/School Improvement but does not have a separately identified budget – there is input from across the service as appropriate, e.g. An Inclusion Officer makes initial visits and oversees arrangements and Advisers with the relevant experience (primary/secondary/SEN) undertake monitoring visits.

**Stoke on Trent**
The staff member who over-sees home education within Stoke City Council is managed within the Learning Services department of the Children and Young Peoples Service (CYPS) directorate. The cost of the Home Education service are included within line 87 (Other support services: expenditure falling within the definition of the LA budget) of the S.251 Outturn table. The provisional budget allocation for 2013/14 is £41.6k. although this is subject to amendment.

**Suffolk**
The duties placed on the LA are overseen by the Inclusive Services team which is part of the Children and Young Peoples Directorate. There is no specific line that identifies home education services and breaks down even further in to the subsets. The LA follows the current statutory guidance (2007) for elective home education set out by the Department for Education and in accordance is managed by CYP and their Integrated Teams, Learning Improvement Service and Inclusive Service Teams. Therefore any budget plans (Q3) would not be broken down as requested unfortunately.

**Sunderland**
Home education sits within Early Intervention and Locality Services. Line 74 "Education out of School" for 2011/12 S251 Outturn report. There is not a separate budget for home education service support.

**Surrey**
Elective Home Education is part of the Schools and Learning Area Education Service and is hosted by the SW Area Education Officer. Line 1.3.3 (education out of school) Staffing £49,852 Senior EHE Adviser, £22,774 EHE Assistant, Additional Staff sessional visits £8,897, Telecoms £738, Travel costs £3,380.

**Sutton**
Home education is located within School Improvement Services and is included in line 2.0.10 School Improvement

**Swindon**
Education Welfare – Children Young People & Families – Service Delivery. Education Welfare link as follows

http://schoolsonline.swindon.gov.uk/schoolsonline-finance/schoolsonline-section251statement

251 Budget line 2.0.9. Approximately £20,000 forward budget.

**Tameside**
Home Education is currently managed by a combination of the Pupil Referral Service and
the **Education Welfare Service**. The Pupil Referral element is contained within the total on the **Education Out of School** row of Table A in the S251 outturn for 2011/12 and the Education Welfare element is contained within the total on the Pupil Support row of Table A in the S251 outturn for 2011/12. No specific budget has been set for Home Education in 2012/13, but we would anticipate approximately £5,658 being spent on this activity across the Pupil Referral Service and the Education Welfare Service by the end of 2012/13.

**Telford**

Elective Home Education sits within the team **Access and Achievement** which is part of the **School Improvement Service**. The **Achievement & Standards Service Delivery** team is part of the School Improvement budget. We are unable to provide the exact forward budget allocated to home education service and support as it is part of a larger budget, however actual costs for the service for the financial year 2012/13 = £27,027. It is not anticipated that there will be any reduction for the financial year 13/14

**Thurrock**

The quality of elective home education is managed within the **School Improvement** team with advisory support from the **Education Welfare** Service. As a Unitary Authority it is common for support functions to be provided by officers covering more than one area of work and the administration of this work is shared with Education Welfare and **Employment Licensing**. The main expenditure is included in the **School Improvement line**. £26k has been allocated, including administrative support function.

**Torbay**

Home education sits within the remit of the **Head of Schools** within Children’s Services. Home Education sits within line **1.3.3 Education Out of School**. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support line **1.3.3** approximately £10,000 is allocated to Home Education as part of an Advisory Role.

**Tower Hamlets**

Home Education sits in our **Learning and Achievement** team. **2.0.10 School Improvement**. The forward budget sum allocated is: £25,00.00 which covers the cost of **2 consultants to monitor the provision, which is a statutory requirement**.

**Trafford**

Home education support currently sits within the **School Improvement Service**. **The budget line is School Improvement**. Home education support does not have a dedicated budget.

**Wakefield**

**Education Welfare Service 2.0.9. 1.3.3 Education Out of School**. £79,100 forward budget.

**Walsall**

Elective Home Education Service is a separate service area within the **Access Team**. This is included in the 251 statement on the **education welfare** line. The council has procured a contract for the provision of all education services from SERCO and it is not possible for the costs of individual services to be extracted from the contract price.

**Waltham Forest**

**Education Welfare Service - Troubled Families**. **Line 2.0.9** on the s251 budget. Forward budget £23,200.
Wandsworth
Elective Home Education is currently located in the Standards and Schools Division and responsibility is shared between the Education Welfare Service and Performance and Standards Team. For children with a statement of SEN there would also be input from Special Needs Assessment section and the Educational Psychologists and where appropriate Parent Partnership Service. The forward budget sum is £12,500.

Warrington
Elective home education sits within the Virtual School Team, which is part of the 11-19 Learning and Achievement Division of the council. Line 1.3.3 Education out of school. The forward budget is £15K.

Warwickshire
Elective Home Education is located in a dedicated team within the broad service of Learning and Achievement, and the management team of Access and Organisation and the Access to Education team which also includes Exclusions, In Year Fair Access and Children Missing Education. The discreet cost centre for EHE is H2012 HE which resides within the general cost centre of HF205. The budget for 2011/12 is £36,608.

West Berkshire
The Elective Home Education Monitoring Teacher post is placed within the Learning Support sub team in Education Services. Education Services is a Service within the Communities Directorate. The organisational structure of the Council can be found here: http://www.westberks.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=24765 EHE is in the s251 budget under the Learning Support Team. West Berkshire Council does not have a budget specifically for Elective Home Education. Learning Support Team staff allocate some part of their time to monitoring Elective Home Education.

Westminster
SEN and Inclusion. It has not been identified which line this is in the s251 budget. There has been no specific allocation for home education service and support.

West Sussex
The Learning Service. The allocation for Home Education Services is included within line 2.0.2 (SEN Admin, Assessment, Co-ordination & Monitoring) within Other Education and Community Budget, and line 1.3.3 (Education out of school). The total budget for 2012-13 is £445,500 (not just elective home education) The 2013-14 budget has yet to be agreed.

Wigan
The responsibility for EHE sits in school improvement and the budget code is in school improvement. There is no specific budget other than the payment of administration and the 2:2 officer. Total no more than ten thousand pounds.

Wiltshire
EHE is managed by the manager for Behaviour and Attendance within Targeted School and Learner Support – part of Schools and Learning Branch. There is no separate budget allocated to home education or support for home education. We have two Education Welfare officers assigned for half of their work programme who monitor and support EHE children’s provision.

Wirral
Elective Home Education is monitored by the Education Social Welfare (ESW) Service which sits within the Learning and Achievement Branch of the Children and Young People's Department. Line 2.0.9 Education Welfare Service. £10,000 is for the Home Education Monitoring Officer.

**Wokingham**
EHE is a separate unit within the Education Welfare Service. The budget line is Education Welfare. Forward Budget £7,265

**Wolverhampton**
Home education is monitored and supported by an Education Adviser in the Behaviour and Mental Health Support Service. This is one of the professional groups within Social Inclusion Services who are in turn a service group within Children, Young People and Families. We think this is a most appropriate location for the service. Other colleagues deal with pupils whose parents often consider home education including those with behaviour and emotional difficulties and travelling children. The 2012/13 estimate contribution toward travelling children from Wolverhampton is £107,620. This is posted to line 1.2.2 of Section 251 return. The 2012/13 estimate for a behaviour support post is £51,870. This is posted to line 2.0.2 of Section 251 return.

**Worcestershire**
LA responsibilities for EHE learners are delivered through the Home Education Liaison Officer. The post currently sits within the Learning and Achievement Service, reporting to the Service Manager – Early Intervention and Targeted Support. The allocation for Home Education Liaison is included in line 2.0.9 of the s251 statement, under 'Education Welfare service'. The budget plan for 2013 - 2014 (provisional until approved by Council) sets £82,694 against this to fund 2 officer posts.

**York**
Elective Home Education currently sits within the LA's School Services Team (School admissions etc) It's included in line 1.3.3 of the section 251 budget statement - Education out Of School. The forward budget sum allocated to home education service and support is £10k for 2012/13 financial year.