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Our Ref: F/CRT/10000224
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Dear Ms Nicholson

Freedom of Information Request

Your request has been considered under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act. For ease of reference, I will address each of your questions in turn.

1/ Could you please tell me:

a/ the total number of children in your authority with a statement of SEN - 1922

b/ the number of home educated children in your authority with a statement of SEN - 5

c/ the number of home educated children of primary age with a statement of SEN - 5

d/ the number of home educated children of secondary age with a statement of SEN - 0

e/ the number of statements for home educated children categorised as having "moderate learning difficulty" (if the authority has a banding system, please could you indicate the number of home educated children within the relevant statement bands) – 3

f/ the number of statements for home educated children with physical disabilities- 0

g/ the number of statements for home educated children with speech, language and communication needs - 2

h/ the number of statements for home educated children with autism spectrum disorders - 3

i/ the number of statements for home educated children with severe or complex learning difficulties (if the authority has a banding system, please could you indicate the number of home educated children within the relevant statement bands) – 2

j/ the number of home educated children with a statement of SEN who formerly attended a special school (if known) - 4

k/ the number of children with a statement of SEN who started home education during the calendar year 2012- 4

l/ the number of children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 2 years - 1

m/ the number of home educated children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 5 years - 0

n/ the number of children with a statement of SEN who ceased to be home educated during the calendar year 2012 because they started to attend school - 4

2/ Within your authority - not including the provision of assessments/reports for the annual review of the statement of SEN - do home educated children have access to any of the following:

a/ educational psychology service - yes

b/ occupational therapy services and equipment - yes

c/ speech and language therapy – yes

d/ CAMHS - yes

3/ Does the authority have a specific policy with regard to provision of services and support listed in Part 3 of the statement when a child with a statement of SEN is home educated? No

If yes, could you please summarise the policy, for example if the authority does not make provision available when a child is home educated -

4/ How many home educated children with a statement of SEN will be entered on the Alternative Provision Census under the category Not a School, for SEN support (deadline Thursday January 17th http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/pupilsupport/parents/involvement/home_education/a0073322/funding-for-home-education) - 0

If you are dissatisfied with the way the council has handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act you may ask for an internal review. This should be submitted to us within 40 working days of this response. You can do this by outlining the details of your complaint by:

Email: information@croydon.gov.uk

Writing: Complaint Resolution Team
London Borough of Croydon
Taberner House
Park Lane
Croydon, CR9 3JS

Any requests received after the 40 working day time limit will be considered only at the discretion of the council.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire SK9 5AF

Yours sincerely

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