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**This matter is being dealt with by: Ian Lane, Director of School Improvement**

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Dear Fiona Nicholson

**RE: Freedom of Information request**

I refer to your Freedom of Information request dated 3 January 2013 regarding the amount spent on home education services last year.

**Question:** Please could you tell me the amount spent on home education services for the academic year 2011-12. I would be grateful if you could itemise staff costs, administrative/secretarial support costs, and also the total spend on provision of services for home educated children and young people.

**Answer:** The costs in 2011-12 for home education services amounted to approximately £34k which was spent on supply costs for teachers to do home visits etc.

There were additional costs within other budgets for:

- leadership/management costs for work relating to home education issues
- costs for the time spent by two attendance officers working on home education issues
- costs for the time spent by a Connexions officer working on home education issues

There are no actual costs for administrative support.

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Please contact me on the above telephone number if you wish to discuss this matter.

Yours sincerely

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