West Sussex EHE FOI SEN Response January 2013

1/Could you please tell me:

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

There are 3215 West Sussex Children who are known to us as having a statement of SEN

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

There are 15 electively home educated children and young people in West Sussex with a statement of SEN. c/the number of home educated children of primary age with a statement of SEN

There are 5 electively home educated children of primary school age, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN

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

There are 10 electively home educated children of secondary school age, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN

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)

There are 0 electively home educated children, know to West Sussex with a statement of SEN for 'Moderate Learning Difficulties'

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

There are less than 5 electively home educated children, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN for 'Physical' disabilities

g/the number of statements for home educated children with speech, language and communication needs There are less than 5 electively home educated children, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN for 'Speech, Language and Communication' needs.

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

There are less than 5 electively home educated children, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN for 'Autistic Spectrum Disorders'

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)

There are 0 electively home educated children, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN with 'Severe or Complex Learning Difficulties.

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

There are less than 5 children, known to West Sussex with a statement of SEN who formerly attended a special school

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

There are less than 5 children with statements of SEN, whose parents elected to home educate during the calendar year 2012

I/the number of children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 2 years. There are 9 children with statements of SEN who have been home educated for more than 2 years m/the number of home educated children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 5 years.

There are less than 5 children with a statement of SEN who have been home educated for more than 5 years

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

There are less than 5 children with a statement of SEN who ceased to be home educated during the calendar year 2012, because they started to attend school.

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

b/occupational therapy services and equipment

c/speech and language therapy

d/CAMHS

Children and young people with statements of special educational need would not be denied access to any

of the services listed at 2 a-d below, because they are home educated.

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? If yes, could you please summarise the policy, for example if the authority does not make provision available when a child is home educated The case of each child or young person with a statement of special educational need is considered individually and carefully, with outcomes dependant on their particular circumstances. Therefore, there are no specific policies regarding the provision of services and support for electively home educated children with a statement of special educational need.

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/homeeducation/a0073322/funding-for-home-education

Final figures have not been confirmed, I am therefore unable to answer this question at this time.