**LA Transport FOI Request, school transport linked to EHCP (SEND) for children aged 5 to 16 years:**

1. **How many children in the borough do the LA pay transport for school linked to EHCPs/SEND eligibility?**

336

1. **What is the total Local Authority expenditure for the eligible children in point 1 ie. EHCP/SEND transport from home to placement only?** 
   1. million
2. **How are transport costs calculated for the SEND eligible children’s journey please clarify? An algorithm calculation please specify this? If based on miles from child’s home to school-please explain how costs are set and miles calculated? Is it based on travel time -please explain how this is costed and calculated?**

Routes are tendered and awarded based on best price

1. **How do you tender a taxi contract for SEND eligible children’s school transport?**

Pro Contract Procurement system

1. **How do you undertake a risk assessment for a child to decide if an escort is needed? Please explain the factors considered in this decision and the department responsible for carrying out this risk assessment.**
2. **How do you contract and employee school transport escorts?**

They are employed by the contractor

1. **What is the average cost of a school transport escort at the LA?**

£30 per day

1. **How many primary school children within 25 miles in the borough?**

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1. **Without disclosing names or identities of individual pupils, I'd like the following information for the FIVE pupils with SEND that had the longest journeys:**

**IN CURRENT 2020/2021**

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| **CHILD** | **AGE OF CHILD** | **HOW MANY MILES IS THEIR JOURNEY DAILY ONE WAY** | **HOW MANY TIMES IS THIS JOURNEY MADE DAILY** | **HOW MANY WEEK OF AN ACADEMIC YEAR IS THIS JOURNEY MADE** | **WHAT IS THE TOTAL COST OF PER ACADEMIC YEAR FOR TRANSPORTING THE CHILD** |
| A | 18 | 65 | Twice | 38 per annum | 10925.00 |
| B | 16 | 60 | Twice | 38 per annum | 11875.00 |
| C | 18 | 52 | 2 per week | 38 per annum | 11200.00 |
| D | 15 | 40 | twice | 38 per annum | 41800.00 |
| E | 12 | 38 | Twice per week | 38 per annum | 4320.00 |

**IN PREVIOUS 2019/2020**

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| A | 15 | 65 | Twice | 38 | 7938.00 |
| B | 17 | 52 | Twice per week | 38 | 12160.00 |
| C | 11 | 40 | Twice | 38 | 41800.00 |
| D | 14 | 38 | Twice per week | 38 |  |
| E | 12 | 20 | Twice per day | 38 | 21850 |

**Please can you answer the below in the table format, children transport for EHCP placements:**

CTU will look at data available and see if estimates are possible.

Unfortunately, we do not record data in this way, however we do aim for a 45 / 60 minute journey for primary school students (no more than 1 hour)

With reference to secondary school transport we do try aim for 60 minutes obviously this can go up or down depending on road closures etc.

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|  | **Number of Children** | **What are the ages of these children** |
| How many children travel to primary schools, which are within the recommended 45 minute Transport guidance ? |  |  |
| How many children travel to primary schools, greater than 45 minutes to within 60 minutes travel time? |  |  |
| How many children travel to primary schools more than 60 minutes but within 1.5 hours of travel time |  |  |
| How many children travel within 60 minutes for secondary school? |  |  |
| How many children travel more than 60 minutes to within 1.5 hours for secondary school? |  |  |
| How many children travel more than the recommended 1.5 hours transport guidance for secondary school? |  |  |