**WBCIR:16372**

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Wokingham Council's Transport Department. Please may you provide me with:**

**1. The councils 2021/2022, 2022/2023 & 2023/2024 public transport budget and spend. Could this be broken down into spending for each transport category: Support Bus spend (Subsidised Bus), Commercial Bus spend, Home-to-School spend, SEN Transport spend, Community Transport spend, Student Transport spend, DRT spend (Demand Responsive Transport), Dial-a-Ride spend, NEMT spend (Non-Emergency Medical Transport) and any others I have missed.**

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| **Type of Transport** | **21/22 Budget** | **21/22 Spend** | **22/23 Budget** | **22/23 Spend** | **23/24 budget** | **23/24 Spend** |
| Subsidised Bus | £834,661.51 | £853,221.72 | £688,710.00 | N/A | TBC | N/A |
| Concessionary | £877,940.00 | £819,247.51 | £957,940.00 | N/A | TBC | N/A |
| Community Transport Grants | £97,800 | £97,800 | £97,800 | £97,800 |  |  |
| Volunteer Driver Grants | £5,270 | £5,268 | £5,270 | N/A |  |  |
| Home to School Mainstream | £1,141,410.00 | £1,151,138.90 | £1,231,190.00 | N/A | TBC | N/A |
| Home to School SEN | £2,680,800.00 | £3,017,561.25 | £3,350,970.00 | N/A | TBC | N/A |
| Social Care | £938,400.00 | £794,266.46 | £785,000.00 | N/A | TBC | N/A |

For clarity, a local authority is not permitted to operate a commercial bus service under the 1985 Transport Act, therefore we have no spend against this category. Community Transport and Volunteer transport services receive grants towards their operation, any other Council income is categorised accordingly under the relevant headings. The Council does not commission DRT, Dial-a-ride or NEMT. The only student transport we provide is Home to School Transport.

As we have not reached the end of the current financial year it is not possible to provide the total spend for 22/23. Budgets for 23/24 are set at the February 23 Executive Committee, so it is not possible to provide these. No spend has taken place against 23/24 and final spend will not be known until after April 2024.