**WBCIR:19164**

**1. How much money did the council spend on SEND tribunals - please provide figures for the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/3 and 2023/4. i.e In the financial year 2022/3 - the council spent £100,000 on SEND tribunals. RE spending, I am looking for total costs associated with processing and defending SEND appeals and tribunal hearings which includes legal costs like instructing external solicitors, commissioning expert witnesses etc.**

 See below table

**2. In recent years, how many appeals were registered with the SEND Tribunal in relation to decisions made by the council? Please provide figures for the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/3 and 2023/4**

See below table

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|  |  | **Tribunal Notification date** | **Spend** |
| **01/04/2021** | **31/03/2022** | 24 | £98,414 |
| **01/04/2022** | **31/03/2023** | 40 | £94,170 |
| **01/04/2023** | **31/03/2024** | 99 | £229,242 |

**3. Of the appeals that eventually went to a formal tribunal hearing, how many ruled in favour of the council? Please provide figures for the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/3 and 2023/4**

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**4. Of the appeals that eventually went to a formal tribunal hearing, how many ruled in favour of parents / families/ young people? Please provide figures for the following financial years 2021/22, 2022/3 and 2023/4. i.e In the financial year 2022/3 - the council spent £100,000 to SEND tribunals. In 2022/3, 40 appeals went to a formal tribunal hearing. 15 of these tribunals ruled in favour of parents**

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