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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information about school places which the Council received on 23 October 2012. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You have requested the following information:

1) Since May 2010 how many new primary school places have been created in your local authority area through:

- a) The building of new local authority-maintained schools; 0
- b) The expansion of existing maintained schools? 420 reception places at 18 schools (total of 2,940 YR to Y6 places). We have also created an additional 135 emergency reception places at 5 schools for September 2012 admissions only.
- c) Newly-opened free schools or academies (i.e. not conversions from maintained schools) 0

2) Since May 2010 how many new secondary school places have been created in your local authority area through:

- a) The building of new local authority-maintained schools; 0
- b) The expansion of existing maintained schools? 0
- c) Newly-opened free schools or academies (i.e. not conversions from maintained schools) 0

3) How many new primary school places are planned to be created in the next five years through the expansion of your existing local authority-maintained schools? 345 reception places by September 2014 i.e. 2,415 additional YR to Y6 places.



4) How many new secondary school places are planned to be created in the next five years through the expansion of your existing local authority-maintained schools? We currently have sufficient places to meet anticipated demand for places over the next five years. However it will leave us with less than 1% unfilled places and therefore it is likely that we will need to provide some additional places for the 2017/18 academic year. In total we will therefore need to provide around 1,857 additional Year 7 to Year 11 places by 2021/22.

5) Does your local authority have plans to build any new primary schools in the next five years? If so, how will the capital costs be funded? Yes - but 4 **replacement** primary schools to be built and funded under the Government's Priority Schools Building Programme. No new additional primary schools are currently planned.

6) Does your local authority have plans to build any new secondary schools in the next five years? If so, how will the capital costs be funded? No current plans to build any new secondary schools within the next five years.

7) How many forms of entry does your largest maintained primary school have? 3 forms of entry although we are currently out to consultation on expanding two 3FE schools to 4FE.

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Yours sincerely,

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