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Dear 

Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information about Learning Difficulty Assessments which the Council received on 02 January 2014. Your request has been considered under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You have requested the following information:

- 1. Any information the council has about Learning Difficulty Assessments (LDAs). I believe these were completed by the then Connexions Coventry and Warwickshire Partnership and now by it's successor company CSWP Ltd.*

N.B. The information may be the actual documents used for assessment purposes, internal and/or external policy (i.e. for staff and/or the public etc) and the figures of the number of young people with a LDA who received/currently receives funding, and how much, from the council and/or the Education Funding Agency to be assisted, engage etc in training (e.g. physical, social, recreational and vocational) and/or further and/or higher education.

Coventry Local Authority completes Learning Difficulty Assessments in accordance with the statutory guidance provided by the Department for Education (April 2013). This document is available online at: www.education.gov.uk/aboutdfe/statutory CSWP are commissioned to undertake this work on behalf of the Local Authority.

There are about 380 young people in the city currently with a LDA. Of these 146 receive additional funding for their further education provision from the LA at a current annual cost of £3,090,000.

You would need to contact the Education Funding Agency
<http://www.education.gov.uk/aboutdfe/executiveagencies/efa/b00199952/efa/contacts>
for any information regarding their costings. No support is provided in higher education through this system.

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If you wish to apply to reuse the information you have requested or have any other issues relating to this request please do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope you feel that our response meets your request. However you have a right to make representations about the outcome or handling of your request – in the first instance this must be made in writing within 40 working days of the date of this letter, to the Council's Information Governance Team at:

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If you have done this and are still dissatisfied, the Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely

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