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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: FOI677036146**

Thank you for your request for information relating to Alternative positions for excluded pupils.

You have requested the following information:

I would like to ask for the following figures for the 2023-24, 2022-23 and 2021-22 academic years. Please break the figures down into each year:

1. How many pupils were permanently excluded in your schools in these years?

2021/2022: 60
2022/2023: 101
2023/2024: 123

2. Councils have a legal duty to arrange suitable full-time education for excluded pupils from the sixth school day after their exclusion took place. Please can you tell me how many of these pupils were *not* in full-time education from the sixth day of their exclusion?

3. What was the average length of time to place a child in suitable full-time education in each year?

4. What was the longest wait recorded for an excluded child to receive suitable full-time education for each year?

5. For children not in full-time education after the sixth day, please can you provide a table showing what sort of education they were being provided? (ie, none, online tutoring, etc)

In response to questions 2 - 5, we hold the information which you have asked for, but we have estimated that the cost of meeting your request would exceed the cost limit of £450 specified in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees Regulations 2004). This represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or more, in determining whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting it.

We do not hold this information in a summary/reportable format. In order to answer this part of your request, we would have to check individual pupil records to obtain this information. Due to the number of records to check, this will exceed 18 hours.

This part of your request has therefore been refused under section 12(2) of the Act. However, in order to fulfil our obligations under Section 16 of the FOI Act to advise and assist you, we advise the following support would be offered while pupils were waiting for a full-time education placement:

Primary - The Key

Secondary - Coventry Alternative Provision Academy Online Tutoring

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Yours faithfully

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