

I'm writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000): My questions:

- What was the total amount of school lunch debt (in £) at the end of each the last six school terms? (End of Autumn term 2021-22 through to the end of summer term 2022-23). Please provide this as a 'snapshot' on the last day of term, with separate figures for primary and secondary schools.
- 2) What was the total number of pupils with school lunch debt at the end of each of the last six school terms? Again, please provide this as a snapshot with separate figures for primary and secondary schools.
- 3) Can secondary pupils with a zero or negative balance on their school meal account access a school meal?
- 4) Does debt on the school meal system get referred to the council for debt collection? Does the Council use external debt agencies or bailiffs to collect school meal debt?
- 5) Do you use a cashless payment system for school meals in a) Primary and b) Secondary school? If so, which system is used?
- 6) Where a family makes a late application for free school meals does this write-off any debt that may have already accrued or does the debt have to be paid?

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