

**Request:**

Please could you provide the following information under the Freedom of Information act:

1. As of 1st September 2023, how many specialist school places in total, did your authority have? (Vacant & filled). This would include - Special Schools and Resourced Provision places within a mainstream setting.
2. How many children who have an EHCP are not currently accessing any formal education as of the date of receipt of this email?
3. How many children who have an EHCP do not have a place at any school?
4. Please provide the number of children who are currently waiting for an EHCP assessment that are:
  - a) on roll but are unable to attend
  - b) have no school place
  - c) electively home educated

**Response:**

1. Specialist (maintained only) total: 1,017  
Resourced Provision total: 64
2. 0 – all children currently on the Children Missing Education (CME) register are accessing interim / temporary education provision provided by the LA which includes tuition.
3. 7 – for the purpose of the return, the LA have provided a response for any learners who are categorised as Children Missing Education (CME) whereby a school place is yet to be confirmed
4. For the purpose of this return, we have provided data for learners where an EHC Needs Assessment is ongoing, but the LA has not yet made a decision about whether a Draft EHCP is to be issued.
  - a) The LA is unable to provide this information as although aware if a C/YP isn't attending school, we cannot confirm in all cases if they are medically/actually 'unable' to.
  - b) 2
  - c) 0