

For the latest available date, and for local authority maintained schools in the local authority area, what were:

The total of funded teaching assistant posts (inclusive of both filled and unfilled posts);

- a) The total number of unfilled teaching assistant vacancies;
- b) The teaching assistant vacancy rate; and
- c) The date for which these figures are valid.

In each case, I would be grateful if the definition of 'teaching assistant' could be treated as consistent with the Department for Education's Workforce Census definition (ie. inclusive of HLTAs).

Please can the figures for (a), (b), and (c) be provided on both a headcount and an FTE basis, if possible. This is not data that Wigan Council control/maintain on behalf of our maintained schools. It would instead be held by each individual school.

If you are referring to % vacancy rate, then again, the response is as above. If you are referring to pay rate the response is as in the attached table.

These figures are valid from 1st April 2023, and take into account the recent pay award agreement.

Teaching Assistant Level 1				
G2 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
2 3	22,366 22,737	1,863.83 1,894.75	11.5929 11.7852	(Min) (Max)
Teaching Assistant Level 2				
G3 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
3 5	22,737 23,500	1,894.75 1,958.33	11.7852 12.1806	(Min) (Max)
Teaching Assistant Level 3				
G4 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
5 8	23,500 24,702	1,958.33 2,058.50	12.1806 12.8037	(Min) (Max)
Teaching Assistant Level 4				
G5 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
8 14	24,702 27,334	2,058.50 2,277.83	12.8037 14.1679	(Min) (Max)
Higher Level Teaching Assistant				
G6 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
14 20	27,334 30,296	2,277.83 2,524.67	14.1679 15.7032	(Min) (Max)
Higher Level Teaching Assistant (Special School)				
G7 SCP	Annual Salary	Monthly Salary	Hourly Rate	
20 25	30,296 33,945	2,524.67 2,828.75	15.7032 17.5945	(Min) (Max)