

From: Freedom of Information Requests

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To:

Subject: FOI response

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 11 August 2025 for information about academy trusts reminded to submit information for Admissions report. Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

Request

The council has published its report to the schools adjudicator. In one part of the report, the council said: "A number of academy trusts do not comply with the requirement that they must notify applicants of the outcome of their application within 15 school days of receipt and so have to be reminded. "This leads to delays in parents being notified of the outcome. It would be helpful if the DfE could remind them of this aspect."

I would like to be sent the names of the academy trusts that have had to be reminded of the 15-day requirement, please.

I would like to be told how many times each trust was found not to have complied with the requirement in academic years 2023-24 and 2024-25, please.

Response

This information is not held. The information on the LA Report to the Schools Adjudicator is a comment on our anecdotal experience of processing in year applications as a whole. We do however remind all schools, each half term, of their statutory duty to comply with the 15 school day requirement within the code.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

The City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £49 to respond to this request for information.

Reviewing any decisions made:

If you are not happy with this reply you can ask us to review our response. To do this write to us within 40 working days of receiving your response at the address below or email FOIAppeals@doncaster.gov.uk

If you do not agree with the review decision you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision about our compliance or otherwise with the Freedom of Information legislation. Contact details for the ICO are: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. www.ico.org.uk Telephone 0303 123 1113.

Yours faithfully,

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