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Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 21st August 2023, for information about school transport.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised.

1. The total number of children that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23 and the total cost for all such children.

Response:

City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for 949 pupils in the 2022/2023 financial year. The cost for this was £7,332,281.00.

2. The total number of children that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23 and the total cost for children in foster care.

Response:

City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for 94 children in foster care in the 2022/2023 financial year. The cost for this was £1,105,200.00.

3. The total number of children that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23 and the total cost for children with Special Educational Needs.

Response:

City of Doncaster Council funded home to school transport for 895 pupils with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in the 2022/2023 financial year. The cost for this £5,282,023.25.

4. The total number of children that the Council funded transport from home to school in the financial year 2022/23 and the total cost for children whose nearest suitable school is beyond two miles (if below the age of eight) or beyond three miles (if aged between eight and 16).

Response:

Home to school transport provided in the form of taxis and minibuses is based on pupil needs, not the distance from school. For pupils attending their closest mainstream school and who live over the qualifying distance from school, City of Doncaster Council provide Zoom Zero Travel Passes to allow pupils to travel between home and school free of charge. In the 2022/2023 financial year, the Council issued 1153 bus passes at a cost of £318,914.58s.

5. The highest daily cost of home to school for any individual pupil in the financial year 2022/23.

Response:

City of Doncaster Council does not hold this information. The information held is based on the daily transport cost, not the cost per individual pupil.

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £42.50 to respond to this request for information.

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