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**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FOI-17-1302 - Business Rates - Schools  
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**Attachments:** [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 7 September 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

**I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2002 to request answers to the below questions on the level of business rates paid by schools in your local authority.**

### **QUESTIONS**

**In financial year 2017-18 (or the most recent year for which you have figures) could you please tell me:**

**How much in total did council-run schools (primaries, secondaries and special schools) pay in business rates?**

A total of £5,709,050.45 was paid in Business Rates for all schools within Aberdeen City for 2017-18.

**Could you please state how much your primaries paid in business rates in total?**

A total of £3,704,642.45 was paid in Business Rates for all Primary Schools within Aberdeen City for 2017-18.

**Could you please state how much your secondaries paid in business rates in total?**

A total of £2,004,408.00 was paid in Business Rates for all Secondary Schools within Aberdeen City for 2017-18.

**Could you please state how much your special schools paid in business rates in total?**

The 3 special schools listed on Business Rates all received 100% disabled relief and therefore did not pay Business Rates. The schools are listed as:

Cordyce  
Woodlands  
Hazlewood

**Could you please list the three schools that paid the highest level of business rates, stating the name of the school and the amount paid in 2017-18 (or the most recent year for which you have figures)?**

The 3 schools within Aberdeen City with the highest Business Rates for 2017-18 are as follows:

Cults Academy	£479,700.00
Bucksburn Academy	£455,100.00
St Machar Academy	£211,560.00

We hope this helps with your request.

Yours sincerely,

Information Compliance Team

### **INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDLING OF YOUR REQUEST**

ACC handled your request for information in accordance with the provisions of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. Please refer to the attached PDF for more information about your rights under FOISA.

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