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To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FOI-17-0597 - School Bullying
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Attachments: [Further Information - Right to Review & Appeal.pdf](#)

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for your information request of 19 April 2017. Aberdeen City Council (ACC) has completed the necessary search for the information requested.

I would like to know how many secondary school pupils in your council area have cited bullying in some form as their reason for switching schools? Can you please provide this information on a month-by-month basis for the last 5 years and in each case state which school the child left and, if possible, which school they moved to?

In each case, can you please detail the specific nature of the bullying as far as possible; i.e was it physical bullying, verbal bullying, persistent homophobic or racist abuse, cyberbullying? If possible, can you state the yeargroup and age of the child affected in each case?

Parents have the right to make a request for their child to attend the school of their choice. The placing request policy and allocation of places is a priority based one and as such all applications are allocated a priority based on the information provided on the application. This placing request information is provided on the Aberdeen City Council website at www.aberdeencity.gov.uk

Information is also available through the booklet Guide to Education and Children's Services 2016-2017 also available on the website or from any primary /secondary school.

A School Placing Request can be requested for a number of reasons and whilst specific reasons for their request to move may be stated on the application, we do not record why places have been offered and are therefore unable to provide this information.

ACC is unable to provide you with information on **how many secondary school pupils in your council area have cited bullying in some form as their reason for switching schools** as it is not held by ACC. In order to comply with its obligations under the terms of Section 17 of the FOISA, ACC hereby gives notice that this information is not held by it.

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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