

NSPCC – Elective home education (EHE) Freedom of information request		
Themes	Questions	Response
Understanding scale and nature of home education in your area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have you seen an increase in the total number of children who are home educated during the last 6 years (2018/19-2023/24)? 	Yes
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can you give us the total number of children who were electively home educated in the year 2018/19 and 2023/24? 	2018/19: _____ 406 _____ 2023/24: _____ 717 _____ don't know []
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has there has been an increase in the number of children on a Child in Need plan who are EHE over the last 6 years? 	Yes [*] No [] Don't know []
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has there been an increase in the number of children on a Child Protection plan who are EHE over the last 6 years? 	Yes [*] No [] Don't know [] Numbers remain low when compared to the number of EHE.
Understanding resource attributed to monitor and support EHE families		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At the time of this request, how many FTE staff are allocated to monitor and support EHE families? 	Total number of FTE staff allocated to monitor and support EHE families in the current financial year 2024/25: _____ 3.5 _____
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Has the number of FTE staff allocated to monitor and support EHE increased over past 6 years? 	Yes [] no [*] don't know []
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How many visits did your local authority make to EHE families in the year 2023/24? 	Total number of visits made to EHE families in the year 2023/24: _____ It is not possible to answer. We do not keep this data. Some cases require more than one visit and some are dealt with by postal communication. To answer would involve opening every case to review casework, which would take an unreasonable amount of time.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the number of total visits increased over the past 6 years (2018/19-2023/24)? 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> don't know <input type="checkbox"/> Please see previous question.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has the number of school attendance orders increased over the past 6 years (2018/19-2023/24)? 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> don't know <input type="checkbox"/>

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