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Dear Sir/Madam.

**Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)
Request ID: REQ07919**

Thank you for your request for information relating to high needs budgets.

You have requested the following information:

Q1. What is the name of your local authority?

Coventry City Council.

Q2. What was your original allocated high needs budget for 2019/20?

We can confirm that this information is publicly accessible to you via the following link -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2019-to-2020>

Download the DSG allocation tables & Coventry LA number is 331.

We therefore do not have to provide the information as per Section 21 of the FOIA.

Q3. What was your total high needs spending at the end of the financial year 2019/20?

(Please confirm the amount of any underspend/overspend.)

We can confirm that this information is publicly accessible to you via the following link -

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/section-251-2019-to-2020#budget-data>

Click the link in the budget detailed level: local authority information 2019 to 2020 section & Coventry LA number is 331.

We therefore do not have to provide the information as per Section 21 of the FOIA.

Q4. What was your original allocated high needs budget for 2020/21?

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Q5. What is the predicted total high needs spending for the financial year 2020/21?

(Please confirm the amount of any underspend/overspend.)

As at Quarter 2, an underspend of £0.5m was predicted for 2020/21.

Q6. For the following financial years have you transferred any funding from the early years block, schools block or central school services block into the high needs block?

2019/20

2020/21

(Please confirm how much was transferred.)

No.

Q7. Have you sought permission from the Department for Education to move more than 0.5% from DSG to high needs in the current financial year 2020/21?

If Yes, please confirm whether permission was granted?

Please confirm how much was transferred.

No.

Q8. What is the allocated high needs budget for 2021/22? (If known)

We can confirm that this information is publicly accessible to you via the following link -

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/dedicated-schools-grant-dsg-2021-to-2022>

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We therefore do not have to provide the information as per Section 21 of the FOIA.

Q9. What is the predicted total high needs spending for the financial year 2021/22?

(Please provide an estimate if any underspend/overspend.)

We are still setting the budgets for 2021/22 and as such this information is not yet known.

Q10. Please add any further comments which would help us understand the demands and pressures on your high needs budget.

N/A.

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