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Dear Sir/Madam

Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) Request ID: FOI632558806

Thank you for your request for information relating to school local authority support units (SLSUs).

You have requested the following information:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information held by your council on its tech support hubs, which are also known as school local authority support units (SLSUs).

These are teams that advise schools on tech matters, like which management information suppliers (MIS) they should switch to.

Specifically, I would like to find out the following:

1. Has the local authority's SLSU received payments from any school MIS suppliers for referring schools to that MIS supplier?

No.

- 2. If so, how much did it receive in referral payments in calendar years 2022, 2023 and 2024 (as of the most recently recorded date)?
- 3. The name of the company(ies) the council received payments from?
- 4. Were these payments made on a case-by-case basis to the local authority by the firm or

as part of an annual recurring referral fee?

- 5. If the payments were made as part of an annual recurring referral fee, it would be appreciated if you could tell me the year and month in which the council started receiving the payments
- 6. The number of schools that switched MIS suppliers to the one(s) offering referral payments in calendar years 2022, 2023, and 2024 (as of the most recently recorded date)

For Questions 2 to 6, these are not applicable.

If any of the information is already in the public domain, please can you direct me to it, with page references and URLs if necessary.

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Yours faithfully

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