

## **Freedom of Information – Response – 26529**

*Please could I request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act.*

*For each of the last five calendar years (2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025) could you please provide me with the following:*

*The below includes all special schools in Suffolk.*

*1) The total number of state special schools used by the local authority for SEND placements.*

Academic Year 2021-2022	Academic Year 2022-2023	Academic Year 2023-2024	Academic Year 2024-2025	Academic Year 2025-2026
12	14	14	14	15

*2) The number of children the local authority provides places for in state special schools.*

Academic Year 2021-2022	Academic Year 2022-2023	Academic Year 2023-2024	Academic Year 2024-2025	Academic Year 2025-2026
1419	1566	1627	1741	1883

*3) The total yearly cost to the local authority of using state special school providers.*

*Information provided for the last five financial years for all the Suffolk Special Schools in Suffolk:*

DESCRIPTION	Spend 20/21	Spend 21/22	Spend 22/23	Spend 23/24	Spend 24/25
Special School - Top Ups	£12,249,275.38	£15,794,897.42	£20,141,634.74	£25,181,583.96	£27,006,620.00

