

Reference Number: FOI-101004676431

Response provided under: Freedom of Information Act 2000

Request and response:

- 1. Please could you provide me with a list of all your current registered/approved/vetted Alternative Provision Providers in your local education authority**

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states that where the information is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means, the right to request the information from a public authority under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 does not apply. (Note: Under EIR there is no direct equivalent regulation).

Therefore, the information you requested is available from the below links:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-contact-details/school-types/>

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/special-educational-needs-file/schools/range-of-provision/alternative-education-provision/>

<https://www.wavemat.org/>

- 2. Please provide any information you have on the process of vetting/approval/ or monitoring of these AP providers published in the last 2 years i.e. what check list or criteria you use? Is this process written down?**

Information not held

- 3. Please provide copies of your quality assurance framework / monitoring criteria for alternative provision for approval**

Information not held



4. IF any of the APS are monitored /inspected/evaluated or visited as part of your internal review or monitoring process please provide copies (REDACTED) of the last two (2) visits. THIS MUST BE REDACTED please/anonymised

Together for Families, confirms that we hold information detailed in this question. However, we believe that the information that has been requested is exempt under section 41(b), Information provided in confidence, of the Freedom of Information Act. The terms of this exemption in the Freedom of Information Act mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

As it is not a legal requirement for Local Authorities to inspect academies or APAs who are in Multi Academy Trusts, we rely on working in partnership with these APA's in order to conduct our monitoring with them. When the monitoring visits are conducted they are done so with confidentiality in place to ensure that open and honest discussions are able to take place. We believe that by providing copies of these reports would create an actionable breach that confidentiality and may hamper future open and honest discussions with the APA's as part of our monitoring visits.

Ofsted who has the role of inspecting all educational provisions publish their reports a link to their website can be found below:

<https://reports.ofsted.gov.uk/provider/1000/2067>

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