



FOI Statement

13 March 2019

FOI Request – What was the price of a school meal for each of the last five academic years? If possible, could this be broken down into primary and secondary schools.

Response: This response is based upon the catering services delivered by ISS Education, so we do not have the full five-year information:

The catering service is based upon a market tested contract, whose precise financial figures are considered as commercially sensitive and therefore exempt from the Freedom of Information Act. However, the price ISS charged the primary schools per meal between March 2016 (when the contract commenced) and September 2018 was within the range of £2.10 to £2.20 and currently charges something within the range of £2.30 to £2.40. Whilst this is ISS' charge to the schools, it may not necessarily be what the schools charge parents. That is decided by the individual schools and may take various other costs into account.

Secondary school meal prices are decided at a local level – unlike the primary schools ISS' price to the secondary schools differs on a school by school basis and will be within similar parameters.

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