

## Request

I would like to request the following information, regarding local childcare availability in your local authority:

1. The number of childcare places available for children aged 0-5 with special educational needs or disabilities in each of the last five years;
2. The number of children aged 0-5 with an EHC plan or an application for an EHC plan in each of the last five years.

## Response

1. In Wigan younger children with additional needs and SEND ordinarily attend a mainstream early years' setting.
2. Data has been provided for the calendar years as broken down below for all learners who have had a final EHCP issued between 0-5 years (this includes Reception aged learners).

P.N. for 2024, this has been broken down into requests received (awaiting decision), ongoing assessments and EHCP's issued:

**2024** (as of 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2024):

- Awaiting Decision: 34
- Ongoing assessments: 126
- Final EHCP: 81

**2023:** 152 Final EHCP's issued

**2022:** 138 Final EHCP's issued

**2021:** 90 Final EHCP's issued

**2020:** 62 Final EHCP's issued.