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Dear Cllr Carter

Supplementary question at Council – 29th November 2023

Thank you for your supplementary question to Council as follows:

Councillor A Carter stated that £1 per journey would result in a £10 a week tax per child because they had been forced to move due to flooding. He asked if that was correct because he did not think that should be the case? Was there any reimbursement scheme for those that did not use public transport and travelled by car instead?

I can advise that the families who are living at alternative addresses are welcome to apply for transport support whilst they may be living extended distances from school, and the assessments will be conducted on an individual case by case basis in line with our Home to School Transport Policy and the statutory obligations placed upon us. Transport support comes in many forms, which includes bus passes, personal travel budgets and parental travel claims, which are discussed with families once eligibility has been confirmed.

If there are any specific children from your constituents displaced by flooding that require additional support with school transport, and on how to complete an application for transport provision, they can contact our team at education.transport@rotherham.gov.uk where we will be glad to assist.

I hope you find my response helpful.

Yours sincerely



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