

## Item no 5.14

### QUESTION NO 14

**By Councillor Laidlaw for answer by the Convener of the Education, Children and Families Committee at a meeting of the Council on 23 August 2018**

**Question** (1) What steps has the Convener taken to prepare for disproportionate increase in the uptake of places at Council schools in the event of Independent schools not expanding in line with the City's population growth?

**Answer** (1)

**Question** (2) Should the Scottish Government change the tax arrangement for Scottish Independent Schools, and this resulted in an increase in fees or a reduction in subsidised places, both with the effect of reducing the number of Students attending Independent Schools in Edinburgh, what preparation has the Convener instructed so that the education of any students in this position can continue uninterrupted in their local Council School.

**Answer** (2)

**Question** (3) In addressing these question, could the Convener provide:

- Average per pupil cost to Council (secondary and primary)
- Figures for how many school age children are educated independently within each catchment (secondary and primary).
- Details on how many children would have to leave the independent sector in each catchment for state schools to be over-capacity

**Answer** (3)