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Dundee City Council submission of 31 October 2018

- ***The drop-out rate of children having instrumental music tuition in the past two years***

This is not information that we readily hold. In 2013 Dundee City Council removed fees for instrumental tuition and since then have worked to extend access and remove barriers to participation. Approximately 3,769 children and young people participate in instrumental music tuition on a weekly basis in schools across Dundee representing around 20.76% of the whole school population making this one of the highest uptakes in a local authority in Scotland.

- ***The projected drop-out rate for this year if charges for instrumental music tuition continue to increase as they have done in recent years***

Dundee City Council does not charge fees for instrumental music tuition.

- ***Is there a particular reason that instrumental music tuition is not being regarded by education departments as a core subject?***

Dundee City Council places significant value on the impact that participation in arts and culture can have on individual young people, their families and communities. We continue to work with a range of local and national partners to ensure that all children and young people can access high quality arts and cultural participation experiences in and out of school allowing them to develop qualifications, skills, confidence and self esteem.