

East Lothian Council

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Please could you request the following information from the secondary schools in your local authority area, questions 1-10, and supply the information requested from yourselves in questions 11-14.

This information is requested to all secondary schools in the authority area

1) Does the school use biometric technology? If 'yes' please answer questions 3 – 10. If 'no' please answer Q2. **No At this time there is no biometrics however there is consideration going forward to using this.**

2) If the answer the Q1 is 'no' please advise if the school is considering implementing a biometric system in the future, if so:

- a) please advise what type of biometric is considered
- b) when it is due to be implemented and
- c) for what purpose.

3) If the answer to Q1 is 'yes' please advise:

- a) what biometric technology the school has. I.e. fingerprint, palm scan, etc,
- b) what it is used for I.e. canteen, registration, computer login, etc,
- c) which company supplies the system and
- d) when it was implemented.

4) Are any alternatives to biometric technology offered to the students to access the services in Q3? I.e. pin number, swipe card, etc.

5) Please send a copy (or link to) any literature for the system, either via the school's website or given out, that is made available to parents and students.

6) Did the school ask for consent to process the students biometric data? If 'yes' please advise:

- a) who was asked for consent, i.e. parents/carers/children, and
- b) how this was done. If there was a consent form please supply this.

7) Who has access to the

- a) the biometric data and
- b) the associated data held against the students' biometric identifier?

8) Have the school passed any biometric data to a third party? I.e. police, security services or any government department, other body, etc. If 'yes' please advise which third party and when.

9) How many students are at the school?

10) How many students use the biometric system?

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11) Does the authority have any contracts to supply schools with biometric technology?

12) If the answer to Q11 is 'yes' please advise

a) how many schools have biometric technology (by primary and secondary)

b) type of biometric used

c) which company the contract is with and

c) for what purpose.

13) if the answer to Q11 is 'no' please advise if the authority is considering implementing biometric systems in schools, if so: **Yes**

a) please advise what type of biometric is considered **Pre Order Kiosks**

b) when it is due to be implemented and **TBC in 2019**

c) for what purpose. **Linked with school meal pre order kiosks in 6 secondary schools**

14) Have the authority passed any biometric data to a third party? I.e. police, security services or any government department, other body, etc. If 'yes' please advise which third party and when. **No**