

## Comments from previous LMS Consultation 2003

### Special School Meals and Maintenance of Kitchens

Allowances need to be made for special diets and small numbers

*Head Teacher, Special School*

We require much more information on alternatives. What will be the position with the current contractor? Will the charges be the same per meal as for other schools if we stay with the current contractor? How have the amounts shown in the appendix been calculated? I am aware that other school had much more information on these issues when meals were delegated.

*Head teacher, Chair of Governors and governor, Special School*

If the Special Schools are in agreement

*Governor, Primary School*

Provided (i) Special Schools so wish and (ii) they are not left with unfunded effective deficit due to poor maintenance of existing buildings and equipment

*Head teacher, primary school*

The small size of the schools make them unattractive to contractors. We have been quoted £1.90 per child's meal in January 2002. It will be impossible for us to make a profit or even break even on these figures. There is grave concern as to who is managing at LEA level the kitchen repairs/maintenance budget? Who do schools turn to for advice etc. on this specialist area? Redundancies have been made with no information as to who will be the named officer responsible.

*Governor, Special School*

The structure is not in place for a smooth transition of contract. Provision will need to be set in place for special diets and needs of students.

*Governor and Bursar, Special School*

There are serious concerns regarding repairs and maintenance as we would not be taking over a well maintained property to start with. Little updates have taken place over the past years and the school could be placed in a seriously difficult position regarding Health and Safety. Also our investigations into the cost of meals, suggests they would rise considerably putting them beyond the means of parents. Urgent detailed advice is needed from the education department.

*Head teacher, Special School*

No Comment

*Head teacher, Secondary School*

If this is what special schools want

*Head teacher, Secondary School*

I think this is what my colleagues in Special Schools would prefer

*Head teacher, Special School*