

FOI Request Aug 2013.

1. How many nurseries, primary schools, secondary schools and special schools in Monmouthshire currently (in 2011/12) have a presence of asbestos?

Ans; Nurseries and Primary schools 29, the majority of primary schools also have a nursery.

Comprehensive, 4

Special schools, 1

The majority of the schools were built in the 1960s and 1970s.

2. What are the names of these schools?

Ans;

- Archbishop Rowan Williams Church in Wales Primary
- Caldicot St Mary's Nursery (RED ROBINS)
- Caldicot West End Infants & Nursery Unit
- Cantref Primary School & Nursery Unit
- Castle Park Primary
- Deri View Junior & Infants
- Durand Primary School
- Gilwern Primary
- Goytre Fawr Playgroup
- Goytre Fawr Primary School
- Llandogo Primary School
- Llanfair Kilgeden Church in Wales Primary
- Llanvihangel Crucorney Primary
- Llantillio Pertholey Voluntary Controlled Primary
- Magor Voluntary Aided Primary & Nursery Unit
- Osbaston Infants School
- Osbaston Voluntary Controlled Junior School
- Our Lady & St. Michaels Roman Catholic Primary
- Overmonnow Primary & Special Needs Unit
- Overmonnow Nursery (at Primary School)
- Pembroke Primary School
- Raglan Voluntary Controlled Primary
- Shirenewton Primary School
- St Mary's Roman Catholic Primary
- The Dell Primary School
- Trellech Primary School
- Usk Church in Wales Primary
- Ysgol Gymraeg Y Fenni
- Ysgol Y Ffin
- Caldicot Comprehensive
- Chepstow Comprehensive
- King Henry VIII Comprehensive
- Monmouth Comprehensive School
- Mounton House/Castle Hill Special School

3. Can you explain how much/the nature of the asbestos in each school?

Ans; The amount of asbestos containing materials (ACM's) varies from site to site.

The type of ACM's identified are;

- Decorative coatings (artex)
- Cement products
- Floor and ceiling tiles
- Plastic goods
- Insulating board

The majority of asbestos was identified as Chrysotile, with small amounts of Amosite and Crocidolite.

4. How is the asbestos managed in each school and how much does this cost the council each year

Ans; Management asbestos surveys have been carried out at all MCC premises, asbestos registers and management plans have been produced using the information in the surveys.
Any ACM's left in place are monitored by a monitoring officer on a six weekly basis. Any damaged or deteriorating ACM's are removed.
On average the cost of managing and removing ACM's is £60,000.

5. What sort of construction methods were used.

Ans; Seventeen schools were identified as being of the Consortium of Local Authorities Special Projects, (CLASP) type build.
The HSE issued warnings of the possibility of there being problems with hidden asbestos in this type of build in 2009, all CLASP type schools in Monmouthshire have been re-assessed and reassurance air testing carried out, all sites were found to be below the control limit and no other problems were found.
Extra care is taken when carrying out any work in these schools, as asbestos products may be present where not expected.