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I am responding to your request for information received 18 July 2023. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



Keshia Harvey
Information Governance Manager

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: This is a freedom of information request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the following information you have pertaining to NHS Trust agency staffing expenditure.

Question 1: On-framework agency spend:

Total spend by role	Total on-framework agency spend by staff group, that are recruited on a temporary basis via an agency		
	Apr-20 to Mar-21	Apr-21 to Mar-22	Apr-22 to Mar-23
Healthcare Assistant & Other Support			
Healthcare Science			
Medical & Dental			
Nursing Midwifery & Health Visiting			
Scientific, Therapeutic & Technical (AHPS)			
Other			

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Answer: Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Section 12(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit

When the Trust identifies that the request is likely to take over 18 hours, we are not obliged to provide information for any part of the request. We are required to provide advice on how you may refine your request to information that can be collated within the 18-hour timeframe. You may then choose what information you would like to receive and confirm the same to us, upon which we will process your request.

The Trust has reviewed your request for information and in order to collate this information, we would have to review all invoices received during this time and establish whether or not the agency is on or off framework. It is estimated this would take 72 hours to collate.



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Therefore, the Trust is unable to comply with this particular part of your request as the cost of compliance and extracting your exact requirements would exceed the appropriate cost limit of £450 which is specified in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information and equates to 18 hours work.

Question 2: Do you use insourcing providers?

Note: Insourcing definition: [Insourcing of Clinical Services - NHS SBS](#)

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

Question 3

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-05/ANON%20Response%20-%20FOI%20DA4726.pdf>

Question 3: If yes to previous question (use of insourcing providers), what is the total value of spend, listed by speciality and insourcing provider used for Apr-22 to Mar-23?

Note: If an insourcing provider covers multiple specialities, please list that provider multiple times (one row for each speciality).

Speciality (e.g., general surgery, ophthalmology, etc)	Insourcing provider (fill in empty rows with provider name, add rows if required)	Total spend (Apr-22 to Mar-23)
N/A	N/A	N/A

Answer: Not applicable.



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