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Response Due: 23rd May 2025

Date: 2nd May 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 24th April 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information about your procurement of any

- (i) external Data Protection Officer (DPO),**
- (ii) Data protection GDPR compliance services for the period FY2022-23 to FY2024-25:**

1. Current DPO arrangements

1.1 Is the organisation's DPO and other staff that work on data protection compliance:

- a. An internal employee**
- b. A DPO provided by an external service provider**
- c. Hybrid (internal staff with external service provider support)**
An internal employee.

1.2 Where services are provided by external providers, please share the following information:

- a. The Company name(s)**
- b. Annual spend by your organisation (FY2022/2023 through to FY2024/2025)**
- c. The highest day rate paid**
- d. Contract dates (start/end/renewal terms)**
- e. A brief description of the project or services provided (for instance, project title or internal reference)**
- f. Services covered (e.g., audits, breach management, SAR management, delivery of DPIAs) • Please indicate what deliverables were produced • Procurement method (e.g., open competition, framework agreement, direct**

g. award) and name of the procurement framework, if applicable.

Not applicable.

2. Consultancy Spend

2.1 What is the organisation's, total annual expenditure on data protection/GDPR consultancy services?

£0.

2.2 For SoW/projects which have a spend of more than £5k), please share the following information:

- **Supplier company name**
- **The scope of the Project (e.g., ICO investigation support, DPIA support, Internal Audit recommendation support)**
- **Spend**
- **Procurement method**

Not applicable.

3. Data Protection Compliance staffing

3.1 The Number of in-house data protection staff in the organisation? (FTE)

5.56 WTE.

3.2 Are there any vacant roles? (Yes/No)

Yes.

3.3 Where there any ICO investigations, audits, or enforcement actions for the period from FY2022/2023 to FY 2024/2025?

No.

4. Future Plans

4.1 Is your organisation planning to put out to tender for any DPO/GDPR services in the current financial year?

No.

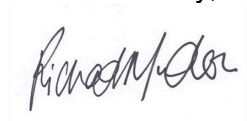
4.2 If yes please provide the following:

- **Expected timeline**
- **Budget range**
- **Key service requirements**
- **Procurement method**

Not applicable.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Mundon
Deputy Chief Executive

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If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

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

Helpline number: 0303 123 111