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Response Due: 23rd May 2025

Date: 15th 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, I would be grateful if you could provide the following information for the 2023/24 financial year:

1. The total spend by the Trust on:

- **Locum staffing** = £5,861,349.40.
- **Agency staffing** = £7,273,562.85.

"Locum staffing" has been answered as Bank spend and "Agency staffing" has been answered based on ADE & SP spend.

2. A breakdown of the above spend by clinical specialty (e.g. General Medicine, Surgery, Emergency Medicine, etc.).

Specialty	Agency	Bank
Acute Internal Medicine	£1,332,762.91	£1,416,738.84
Anaesthesia	£419,696.19	£173,681.49
Cardiology	£101,076.50	£18,942.49
Dental	-	£20,767.87
Elderly Care	£346,134.29	£61,609.85
Emergency Medicine	£602,519.57	£1,847,868.53
Endocrinology and Diabetes	£3,387.59	£30,712.04

ENT	-	£35,069.89
Gastroenterology	£298,285.59	£101,079.05
General Internal Medicine	£779,046.46	£431,711.83
General Paediatrics	-	£32,171.07
General Surgery	£42,298.05	£400,243.64
Haematology	£636,316.72	-
Intensive Care Medicine	-	£91,097.56
Medical Microbiology and Virology	£721,383.80	£43,298.05
Obstetrics & Gynaecology	£263,789.46	£134,407.57
Occupational Medicine	-	£1,079.84
Ophthalmology	-	£182,240.54
Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery	-	£44,334.21
Paediatrics	£285,744.92	£143,844.09
Palliative Medicine	£5,069.25	-
Respiratory Medicine	£549,125.06	£89,898.78
Rheumatology	£66,270.49	-
Trauma & Orthopaedics	-	£524,132.61
Trauma and Orthopaedic Surgery	-	£24,785.94
Urology	-	£11,633.62
Medicine	£480,830	-
Surgery	£92,778	-
Community	£144,814	-
Specialist Services	£66,654	-

The above is based on paid data - it includes ADE shifts paid, Bank shifts paid and if applicable, SP shifts approved, processed or paid, in the Payroll Year 2023/24.

Total Spend includes pay, NI, pension, expenses, and agency commission with VAT added for SP (if applicable).

3. The names of agencies the Trust used for locum or agency staffing, along with the total amount paid to each agency during that year.

Agency	Gross Commission	Total Spend
Accident & Emergency Agency Ltd	£9,743.36	£191,305.88
Athona Ltd	£8,936.56	£129,267.18
DRC Locums Ltd	£1,296.24	£15,819.16
ED Staffing	£1,026.00	£18,468.00
Fresh Medical Recruitment	£45.64	£283.42
General Medicine Group Ltd	£29,349.70	£393,519.60
Holt Doctors	£8,047.64	£101,030.38
ID Medical	£51,740.70	£816,343.03
Interact Medical	£451.88	£5,975.73
LAK Locums Limited	£15,486.76	£273,496.91
Medacs Healthcare Plc	£6,190.03	£88,981.67
Medecho Ltd	£27,015.01	£323,479.24
MedicsPro Ltd	£386.80	£6,169.86

Medilink Consulting	£56,131.26	£981,938.78
Medsol Healthcare Services	£12,665.81	£207,485.03
National Locums	£11,763.72	£140,530.87
NC Healthcare	£56,497.38	£864,373.72
Pathology Group	£39,304.08	£412,522.42
Pertemps Medical Limited	£591.88	£10,564.41
ProMedical	£12,162.63	£171,222.63
RM Medics	£61,550.36	£858,292.64
Total Assist Recruitment Ltd	£4,109.35	£59,524.64
Unite Medical	£26,439.75	£382,311.66

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Total Spend includes pay, NI, pension, expenses and agency commission with VAT added for SP (if applicable).

Gross Commission includes commission only, with VAT added for SP (if applicable) - commission does not apply to Bank, so Bank is not included in this response.

Agency Name	Total Agency Cost
Your World Recruitment	£98,726
Maxxima Limited	£77,429
Globe Locums Limited	£89,051
MSL	£94,543
McMillan Healthcare Ltd	£91,095
Locum Vision	£78,957
Pertemps Recruitment	£52,507
Your Nurse Ltd	£50,779
Altrix Technology Ltd	£37,329
Randstad Solutions Ltd	£30,042
H C L Healthcare	£22,380
Bluestones Medical	£27,191
Woodrow Mercer Recruit	£10,836
First Point	£12,560
Medicure Professionals	£12,472
CBS Butler Ltd	£7,553
Pulse	£11,413
Blackstone Recruitment Lt	£10,656
Day Web	£7,461
Recare Recruitment Ltd	£7,028
Medical Staffing	£5,881
RIG Healthcare	£6,318
Total Assist Recruitment	£2,870
Amare Health Ltd	£1,014
Nursing Zone Ltd	£401

Keystone Healthcare	£251
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4. The name or role of the individual(s) or department responsible for signing off agency or locum staffing contracts.

The Trusts NHS Professionals contact and the Medical Workforce Department.

Please note: Your questions have been answered with assistance from NHS Professionals and Liaison Group.

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,



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

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