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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 17th April 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

Under the FOI Act please can I request:

1. From 1st January 2025 to 31st March please provide a breakdown of Total Trust spend with framework agencies for locum AHP/HSS staffing.

Please provide a further breakdown for locum AHP/HSS staffing by:

- Spend per band.
- Spend per specialty.
- Spend per agency name.

2. From 1st January 2025 to 31st March please provide a breakdown of Total Trust spend with off-framework agencies for locum AHP/HSS staffing.

Please provide a further breakdown for locum AHP/HSS staffing by:

- Spend per band.
- Spend per specialty.
- Spend per agency name.

Information relating to Trust agency spend can be found here [Agency Information](#)

January to March data is exempt under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act as it is intended for future publication.

3. From 1st January 2025 to 31st March please provide a breakdown of Total Trust spend with the internal Trust bank or associated external provider for locum AHP/HSS staffing

Please provide a further breakdown for locum AHP/HSS staffing by:

- Spend per band.
- Spend per specialty.
- Spend per internal or associated external provider

	Jan 25	Feb 25	Mar 25	Total Jan - Mar
Specialty	£000	£000	£000	£000
ACUTE SERVICES & URGENT CARE	4	9	13	26
COMMUNITY	0	0	(0)	0
PRIMARY CARE DIRECTORATE	0	1	2	4
SPECIALIST SERVICES	(15)	12	0	(2)
CORPORATE	4	3	4	11
Grand Total	(6)	25	20	39

Please note bank spend is not recorded by grade

- Please confirm your allocated budget for agency locum AHP/HSS staffing for the period 1st January 2025 to 31st March. **The Trust does not have a budget for agency staffing.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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