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RE: Freedom of Information Request

3rd January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 29th September 2023, 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:

- 1. A list of the OFF-framework agencies used by the trust in the past 12 months' (the last financial year or September 2022 - August 2023 for Nursing and Midwifery, Psychological Therapies, and Medical staff groups)**
Thornbury (Nursing) only.
- 2. The average length of time a long-term agency placement is left vacant before being filled by the agencies who are ON framework in the past 12 months'**
Information not held.
- 3. How many long-term bookings and individual shifts have been placed through OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months' (Please separate individual shifts and long-term placements)**
0 – Long term bookings
Dec 2022 – Nov 2023 – 255 Shifts
- 4. Average cost per hour for Band 5, 6 and 7 agency workers paid to OFF-framework agencies in the past 12 months'**
£95.90
- 5. Who in the trust has authority to approve the use of off-framework agencies (name and job title)**
Chief Nurse/Gold OnCall Manager

Home, Community, Hospital.

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6. If authority to use off-framework agencies in the trust lies with a specific department i.e., temporary staffing/staffing solutions/agency bookings/NHSP or equivalents, then who in the trust has the authority to override such decision made by that department (name and job title)

Authority does not lie with a specific department. See Q5 response.

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. 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: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net.

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Yours faithfully

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