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RE: Freedom of Information Request

1st December 2023

Dear

With reference to your request for information received on 8th 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:

Sourced Staffing Arrangements

- 1a. Do you have a master vendor (MV) or neutral vendor (NV) arrangement in place for sourcing agency staff? If so, please state which arrangement is in place No
- 1b. What is the name of the MV/NV provider(s) and what staffing groups do they source? e.g. medical, nursing etc. N/A
- 1c. As part of the arrangement, is any technology provided by the supplier to help manage the procurement of agency staff?
- 1d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the supplier (dd/mm/yy) $_{\mbox{N/A}}$

Direct Engagement

2a. Does the organisation use a third party to provide a Direct Engagement/Outsourced Employment Solution? (This is where the NHS organisation sources agency staff via a recruitment agency but hold a direct contract between the organisation and the worker - there is often VAT savings associated to this employment model) Yes

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- 2b. What is the name of the Direct Engagement (DE)/Outsourced Employment supplier (e.g 247Time/Allocate, PlusUs, Retinue, Liaison etc.) 247Time (Allocate StaffDirect)
- 2c. Under the DE/Outsourced Employment arrangement, which staffing groups are managed? For example; Medical, Admin, Scientific staff. Please list all applicable All Staff Groups except Nursing
- 2d. Please provide the contract start and end date for the DE supplier (dd/mm/yy) 31/08/2023 30/08/2026
- 2e. How much did the organisation pay the supplier in 22/23 (April 2022 to March 2023) for the provision of the direct engagement service? £80,786.00

Vendor Management System for Nurse Agency

3a. Does the organisation use a third-party Vendor Management System for the supply of nurse agency staff?

Yes

- **3b. Who supplies your Vendor Management System? E.g. Allocate, NHSP etc** Allocate
- **3c. Please provide the contract start and end date for this provider (dd/mm/yy)** Rolling contract renewed annually.

Bank Management

- 4a. Please name the technology provider used to manage the supply of your bank staff, inclusive of any outsourced or managed arrangements (i.e. NHSP, Bank Partners, Allocate, Liaison, Patchwork, Locum's Nest etc). If more than one supplier is used, please name all suppliers Allocate
- 4b. Please name the staffing group each provider is used for e.g. medical, nursing, AHPs, admin and clerical All staff Groups
- **4c. Please provide the contract start and end date for each bank supplier (dd/mm/yy)** Rolling contract renewed annually.
- 4d. How much did the organisation pay the supplier(s) in 22/23 for the provision of the bank service?

This information is not held as it is part of a total contract cost.

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 sincerely

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