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Subject: Framework Agency expenditure

REQUEST

1. In the period 1st December 2024 – 1st March 2025 what is your “on” Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for Nursing and HCA staff? (Band 2 up to Band 7)? Please break down per month.
2. In the period 1st December 2024 – 1st March 2025 what is your “Off” Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for Nursing and HCA staff? (Band 2 up to Band 7)? Please break down per month.
 - Please provide a further breakdown by: spend per band and spend per agency name.
3. Do you have an in-house temporary staffing team to manage your agency requests OR is this outsourced to a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor provider? – if outsourced, what is the name of the company?
4. If outsourced, what was the start date and expiry date of the contract with this provider?
5. What is your current Bank staff fill rate for Nursing and HCA Staff?
6. What is your current Agency fill rate for Nursing and HCA Staff?
7. How many agencies are currently supplying the Trust with nursing and HCA staff and what are their names?
8. Who is head of your procurement or temporary staffing team responsible for approving framework agencies who are wishing to join your preferred supplier list and what are their contact details?

RESPONSE

1. In the period 1st December 2024 – 1st March 2025 what is your “on” Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for Nursing and HCA staff? (Band 2 up to Band 7)? Please break down per month.

	DEC-24	JAN-25	FEB-25
Sum of Amount (£)	363,195	691,888	548,265

No Agency HCA use at STHK sites in the period requested.

Agency NURSING (On Framework)	Dec 24	Jan 25	Feb 25
Hours	18999	16750	14666

No Agency HCA use at S&O sites in the period requested.

2. In the period 1st December 2024 – 1st March 2025 what is your “Off” Framework Agency expenditure and total number of hours filled for Nursing and HCA staff? (Band 2 up to Band 7)? Please break down per month.

Please provide a further breakdown by: spend per band and spend per agency name

Nil

3. Do you have an in-house temporary staffing team to manage your agency requests OR is this outsourced to a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor provider? – if outsourced, what is the name of the company?

In House at Legacy STHK. Legacy Southport and Ormskirk (S&O) have a Managed Service Provision with NHS Professionals

4. If outsourced, what was the start date and expiry date of the contract with this provider?

Information which is publicly available

The Trust publishes contract information in accordance with applicable procurement legislation. This includes, but is not limited to, Public Contracts Regulations 2015; Procurement Act 2023 and Health Care Services (Provider Selection Regime) Regulations 2023. Contract information published in

accordance with requirements of legislation includes contract details, supplier name, value, term, procurement route etc.

Publication locations include Official Journal of the European Union (<https://ted.europa.eu/en/>) for some older notices and Contracts Finder (<https://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>) Find a Tender Service (<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Search>). Procurement pipeline information will be published in accordance with legislation.

Additionally, the Trust goes beyond the legal requirements and publishes extracts of its contracts register, periodically, on its public website. (<https://sthk.merseywestlancs.nhs.uk/our-services?service=36>)

Publication information includes, but is not limited to, contract descriptions, start and end dates, extension options, supplier details and contract values.

Therefore, the majority of detail in your request is currently publicly available. This means that section 21 of Freedom of Information Act applies. If it is not currently available, it will be made available

Information which will be made publicly available

Alternatively, information will be made publicly available as more contracts are advertised and awarded on Find a Tender Service and our contracts register on the website is updated. Therefore, section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act applies

5. What is your current Bank staff fill rate for Nursing and HCA Staff?

The Trust considers your request to be exempt from disclosure in accordance with section 43.2 of the Freedom of Information Act as to release this information would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of the Trust. The trust has applied the public interest test to this request and feels that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

6. What is your current Agency fill rate for Nursing and HCA Staff?

The Trust considers your request to be exempt from disclosure in accordance with section 43.2 of the Freedom of Information Act as to release this information would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of the Trust. The trust has applied the public interest test to this request and feels that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

7. How many agencies are currently supplying the Trust with nursing and HCA staff and what are their names?

7.1 Legacy STHK

DRC Locums Ltd
Bluestones Medical
Day Webster
Firstpoint Healthcare
HCRG
ID Medical
Interact Medical
Medacs Healthcare Services Plc
Medical Staffing Ltd
Medicspro
Medpure
MSI Recruitment
National Locums
PE Global Healthcare
Pertemps Medical Personnel
Pulse Healthcare
Search Consultancy
TFS Healthcare
Total Assist
Your Nurse
Your World
MSL Healthcare
Randstad

7.2 Legacy S&O

MSL
ID Medical
Locum Vision
HCRG Altrix Limited
First Point
Your World Recruitment
Medics Pro
Pulse
Your Healthcare Global
Medacs Healthcare
Day Web

8. Who is head of your procurement or temporary staffing team responsible for approving framework agencies who are wishing to join your preferred supplier list and what are their contact details?

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