

## Response to Request for Information

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### *Use of Agency Social Workers*

#### **Request:**

Please can you provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

- 1 - How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council on Monday 20th May 2019, split by:
  - a) Children's Services social work roles  
29
  - b) Adults' Services social work roles  
18
  
- 2 – What was the total spend by your organisation on temporary (agency) social work professionals during the financial year 1/4/18 to 31/3/19?  
[In response to question 2, Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 places two duties on public authorities. Unless exemptions apply, the first duty at:](#)
  - [Section 1\(1\) \(a\) is to confirm or deny whether the information specified in a request is held.](#)
  - [The second duty at Section 1\(1\)\(b\) is to disclose information that has been confirmed as being held.](#)

[In respect of question 2, it has been established after careful consideration that the Council does not hold the above information as do not analyse our spend in the format requested.](#)

[Consequently, we are unable to provide any information relating to the above, and are informing you as required by Section 1\(1\) \(a\) of the Act, that states:](#)

["Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request".](#)

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