



## Response to Request for Information

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### *Private Consultants*

#### **Request:**

This is a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, submitted on May 28 2015.

Please could you supply me with answers to the following questions, separated for each financial year: 2012/13; 2013/14; 2014/15.

1. How many contracts were awarded to private consultants by the local authority in a). 2012/13 b). 2013/14 c). 2014/15?
2. What was the total value of the contracts awarded to private consultants by the local authority in a). 2012/13 b). 2013/14 c). 2014/15?
3. How many contracts were awarded to private consultants to work specifically within children's social care in the local authority in a). 2012/13 b). 2013/14 c). 2014/15?
4. What was the value of the contracts awarded to private consultants to work specifically within children's social care in the local authority in a). 2012/13 b). 2013/14 c). 2014/15?

\* Any outside person hired to provide consulting services to the local authority

#### **Response:**

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|---|----|---------------------------|
| 1 | c) | 53 contracts              |
| 2 | a) | 2012/2013 - £1,841,395.10 |
|   | b) | 2013/2014 - £3,591,134.88 |
|   | c) | £701,485                  |
| 3 | c) | 3 contracts               |

4 c) £14,700

For 2012/13 and 2013/14 we are unable to provide a more detailed analysis and the costs will include Consultancy and other Professional Fees.

For 2014/15 the information is the contracts that have been categorised in the finance system as Consultancy.