



My Ref: FOI/ 5319
Enquiries to: Information Requests
E-Mail: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

Dear Requester,

Re: Request for Information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I wish to confirm that the council has completed its search for the information which you requested.

The information requested and our findings are as follows: -

1. Agency spend Please provide the total spend on agency staffing for the following financial years: 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25 (to date)

2022-23	3,441,792
2023-24	8,138,336
2024-25	5,001,352
2025-26(To Period 8)	3,076,446
	19,657,926

2. Spend breakdown a) Spend by staff group, e.g.: Adult Social Workers Children's Social Workers Residential Care Workers Home Care / Support Workers Nurses (if applicable) b) Spend by agency/supplier for the same periods.

2a)

Staff Group	2022-23*	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26 (To period 8)
Advanced Practitioner Childrens		441,086	813,703	451,288
Business Support Officer Childrens		31,504	165,253	103,809
Family Support Worker Childrens		232,374	28,110	12,902
Fostering Panel Adviser		103,164	66,956	
Head of service - Childrens		93,066	120,460	119,300
Independent Reviewing Officer Childrens		411,953	206,409	70,604
Independent Scruitneer Childrens		77,666	60,561	20,206
Interim Service Manger Childrens		326,768	234,650	121,799
Personal Advisor Childrens		185,482	104,580	
Project Manager Childrens		66,861		7,572
Project Officer Childrens			23,752	25,583
Quality Assurance and Governance Officer Childrens		49,966	99,001	26,696
Residential Support Worker Childrens				1,938
Resilience Coach Facilitator and Trainer		22,695	38,520	13,337
Social Worker – Childrens Social Care		4,709,929	1,556,064	737,970

Targeted Early Help Support Practitioner		6,959	5,634	34,804
Team Manager – Children's Social Care		381,168	230,517	303,197
Technical Consultant childrens			16,022	17,874
Assistant Social Work Practitioner Adults			18,524	
Business Intelligence Contractor Adults		32,585		
CHC Advisor Adults				24,073
Commissioning Manager Adults			25,924	
Experienced Health Practitioner Adults		180,889	235,733	87,286
Independent Living Brokerage and Support Officer Adults		126,796	25,278	
Interim Service Manager Adults				71,963
Project Manager Adults		29,925	38,948	
Quality Assurance Officer Adults		15,018		
Reablement Practitioner Adults		138,973	100,373	
Senior Commissioner – Residential Care Adults		58,560		
Social Worker Adults		400,505	702,993	775,942
Support Workers (Independent living at home) Adults		10,995		
Team Manager Adults			77,042	40,501
Telecare responder Adults		3,447	6,343	7,803
	3,441,792	8,138,336	5,001,352	3,076,446

*For 2022-23 we do not hold this information to the level of detail requested

2b)

Agency/Supplier	2022-23*	2023-24	2024-25	2025-26(To Period 8)
Eden Brown		977,919		
Faerfield Ltd	27,360		82,824	119,300
ERG Group Ltd				33,815
Reed	3,414,432	7,160,417	4,918,528	2,923,331
	3,441,792	8,138,336	5,001,352	3,076,446

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3. Vendor model Do you use a Master Vendor or Neutral Vendor model for agency staffing in Adult or Children's Social Care?

- Master vendor
- Used for both Children's and Adults.

4. Preferred Supplier List (PSL) Do you operate a Preferred Supplier List (PSL) for agency staff in Adult and/or Children's Social Care?

No

5. Frameworks / contracts Please provide details of any frameworks or contracts currently used for the provision of agency staff in Adult and Children's Social Care, including: Framework or contract name Provider(s) or host authority Start date Expiry date Any known or planned retender date, if available

We use a master vendor framework via Reed Talent Solutions
Current contract start date: April 2025. 2 year contract with option for 2x 1 year extensions.

6. Rates Please provide the current charge rates or rate card for agency staff used in Adult and Children's Social Care, including where applicable: Qualified Social Workers – Adults (by level if available) Qualified Social Workers – Children's (by level if available) Residential Care Workers / Support Workers Home Care / Domiciliary Care Workers Nurses (if applicable) If a full rate card is not available, please provide indicative typical hourly charge rates for the above groups.

Childrens:

Social Worker - £30p/h
Senior Social Worker - £35p/h
Advanced Practitioners - £37p/h
Team Managers - £40p/h

Adults:

Full rates unavailable – typical hourly charge rates ranges between £28 to £35 per hour

7. Contact Please provide the role title (not personal contact details) of the officer(s) responsible for: Agency staffing / workforce commissioning in Adult Social Care Agency staffing / workforce commissioning in Children's Services

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Corporate procurement / vendor management for staffing frameworks If possible, please also confirm which team (e.g. Commissioning, Procurement, HR, Resourcing) leads on these arrangements.

Unable to provide this information as there are multiple managers across several services who are responsible for agency staff and these vary and change on a regular basis.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the way the Directorate has handled your request, you may ask for an internal review. Please clearly mark your correspondence 'Complaint' and address it to:

Barnsley MBC
Information Requests Team
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Barnsley
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email: informationrequests@barnsley.gov.uk

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: -

Customer Services Team
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Email: <http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints>

Kind regards,

Information Requests Team, Barnsley MBC

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