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Information requested:

I understand that Remploy have now got to work under close scrutiny regarding pay and recruitment and that any new position or job title must be approved by the DWP.

Would it be possible for you to tell me exactly what level would Remploy need approval from the DWP for example if someone was promoted internally as a team leader would this need the DWP approval or can Remploy proceed with this through there own procedures.

Also can you tell me if there have been any new appointments waiting for approval pacifically for Remploy Norwich?

DWP response:

All external recruitment across Government Departments and Non-Departmental Public Bodies such as Remploy is under close scrutiny at senior levels to ensure that it is essential. Exemption requests are currently considered jointly by the DWP HR Director General and the Employment Group Director General. They are of course aware that as a public corporation undertaking a range of commercial activities, Remploy has particular recruitment needs.

The company would not be required to request an exemption for an internal promotion. However, where a vacancy occurs that Remploy wish to recruit to externally, an exemption request would be required to fill the post.

We currently have no external recruitment requests for Remploy in Norwich awaiting approval.