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Dear

Thank you for your email of 28 June 2024 which contained your request for information. The Government Legal Department (“GLD”) have processed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (“the Act”).

*Please could you provide the following information under the freedom of information act covering the last 24 months, or the most recent 24-month period recorded:*

1. *Has the department used agencies to recruit temporary/contractor staff and what is the total spend for the period? Please provide a breakdown of your answer to question 1, splitting the spend by job title/specialism.*

Job role	FY 2022/23 Spend (£000)	FY2023/24 Spend (£000)
Legal	13,050	17,561
Other	8,467	7,924

2. *Has the department used agencies to recruit permanent staff and what is the total spend for the period? Please provide a breakdown of your answer to question 2, splitting the spend by job title/specialism.*

Yes, the department has used agencies to recruit permanent staff. The information is not held on spend by job title/specialism for permanent staff recruited through agencies.

3. *What frameworks do you have access to when hiring temporary/contractor staff?*

We have used the following Crown Commercial Service frameworks:

- Public Sector Resourcing framework, RM3749
- Non-Clinical Staffing, RM6277

4. *What frameworks do you have access to when hiring permanent staff?*

We have used the following Crown Commercial Service frameworks:

- RM6229 Permanent Recruitment 2

5. *What recruitment managed services do you have in place for hiring temporary/contractor staff?*

- Public Sector Resourcing
- Hays Recruitment
- Experis UK

6. *What recruitment managed services do you have in place for hiring permanent staff?*

TMP/People Scout contract  
Hays Recruitment

7. *The contact name and contact details the person responsible for dealing with temporary/contractor recruitment?*

The person responsible for this is not a member of the Senior Civil Service (SCS). This information is withheld from disclosure in reliance on the exemption in section 40(2) of the FOIA. The details are of individuals below Senior Civil service level who do not work in public facing roles and would have no expectation that their details would be published. Section 40(2) states that information is exempt from disclosure if it constitutes the personal data of a third party and its disclosure under the Act would breach any of the data protection principles of the Data Protection Act 2018.

8. *The contact name and contact details of the person responsible for dealing with permanent recruitment?*

The person responsible for this is not a member of the Senior Civil Service (SCS). This information is withheld from disclosure in reliance on the exemption in section 40(2) of the FOIA. The details are of individuals below Senior Civil service level who do not work in public facing roles and would have no expectation that their details would be published. Section 40(2) states that information is exempt from disclosure if it constitutes the personal data of a third party and its disclosure under the Act would breach any of the data protection principles of the Data Protection Act 2018.

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