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Ref: 61580

20th September 2019

Email:

Email: foi@liverpoolccg.nhs.uk

Dear

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request that we received on 28th August 2019, with regards to expenditure on external consultants.

Request / Response:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information, for the financial years:

A) 2017/18

B) 2018/19

1. Did your organisation use an external consultant for any of the following functions:

- Human Resources

Response: Yes

- Legal Services

Response: Yes

- Leadership and organisational development

Response: Yes

- Board reviews

Response: No

- Mediation

Response: No

- Regulatory body inspection support

Response: No

2. What were the names of the consultants used?

Response:

**Human Resources – Midlands & Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit
Legal Services – Hill Dickinson Solicitors
Leadership & Organisational Development – Mike Farrar Consulting Ltd**

3. What was the expenditure with each consultant?

Response:

**Human Resources in 2017/18 = £40,078.90
Human Resources in 2018/19 = £11,451.10**

**Total cost for legal fees in 2017/18 was £132,769.33
Total cost for legal fees in 2018/19 was £153,658.98**

Total cost for Mike Farrar Consulting Ltd in 2018/19 was £4,509.60

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Should you require any further information, clarification regarding this response or do not feel that your request has been answered as you would expect, please contact us to discuss.

Yours sincerely,

**Corporate Services Team
NHS Liverpool CCG**