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Dear

**RE: Freedom of Information request**

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 26/06/2023. Please see responses to your requests below.

**1) In the last 60 days how many hours has your trust utilised Thornbury Nursing Services for agency nurses?**

Please see table below. All off-framework agency registered nursing shifts between 27.04.23 – 25.06.23.

Agency/Ward	No. of Shifts	Hours	Average Hourly Rate
<b>MedGen Ltd</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>370.00</b>	<b>£80.43</b>
C5 Medical Ward QAH	33	370.00	£80.43
<b>Thornbury Nursing Services</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>108.83</b>	<b>£80.66</b>
Neonatal Unit	2	21.50	£84.45
WARD-Paediatrics	12	87.33	£80.03
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>478.83</b>	<b>£80.50</b>

**2) In the last 60 days which wards, departments were these TNS requests for?**

Please see table in question 1.

**3) Please can you confirm how many nursing shifts have been filled by Thornbury Nursing Services?**

Please see table in question 1.

**4) In the last 60 days has your Trust utilised any other off framework provider for agency nurses? If yes, please name these providers.**

Yes – Please see table in question 1.

**5) Please can you confirm how many shifts have been released/allocated to off framework agencies within the last 60 days?**

Please see table in question 1. The Trust does not record the number of shifts released; we only record that ones that have been filled.

**6) In the last 60 days which wards, or departments were these off framework requests for?**

Please see table in question 1.

**7) Please can you confirm how many nursing shifts have been filled by off framework agencies within the last 60 days?**

Please see table in question 1.

**8) How many long-term lines of work or block bookings are currently being supplied by off framework agencies?**

None.

**9) Which off framework agencies is the trust currently utilising for Nursing vacancies and what is the spend on these agencies' year to date?**

Please see below table.

Off Framework agency	Total Spend (Apr 23 - Jun 23)
Medgen	£223k
Thornbury Nursing Services	£8k

**10) What is the average charge for both RMN's and RGN's from off framework agencies?**

Please see table in question 1.

**11) Who at director level is responsible for patient safety and staffing levels?**

The Chief Nurse.

**12) Who at temporary staffing is responsible for onboarding new agencies and could you provide me with their contact details?**

The Trust is not actively looking to engage with any new agencies; however, the below mailboxes can be contacted for any queries.

[Portsmouthnursing@bankpartners.co.uk](mailto:Portsmouthnursing@bankpartners.co.uk) , [Portsmouthahp@bankpartners.co.uk](mailto:Portsmouthahp@bankpartners.co.uk)

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**13) Can you confirm if your Off-Framework agency suppliers list (PSL) is always looking to onboard new agencies. If not, what dates does the Trust review this list and look to bring new agencies onto it?**

The Trust does not have an Off-framework agency suppliers list and we are not currently seeking new agencies.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on [Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk](mailto:Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk) or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information, please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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