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Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 15 January 2024, for information about Social Care Workers.

Please find below City of Doncaster Council's responses to the questions you have raised. Please note, whilst data has been provided for Children's Social Services for the whole period requested, this service moved under the jurisdiction of City Doncaster Council on 1st September 2022. Prior to this date, the services were provided by Doncaster Children's Service Trust therefore if there is reference to 'Trust', this means the period where it was not part of City of Doncaster Council.

Request and Responses:

1.

a)

i) How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/18 to 31/3/19? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 27

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 41

ii) How many qualified social workers were working on a permanent basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/18 to 31/3/19? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 126

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 74

b)

i) How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/19 to 31/3/20? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 33

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 31

ii) How many qualified social workers were working on a permanent basis at the Council

during the financial year 1/4/19 to 31/3/20? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 126

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 112

c)

i) How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/20 to 31/3/21? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response:40

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 17

ii) How many qualified social workers were working on a permanent basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/20 to 31/3/21? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 109

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 104

d)

i) How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/21 to 31/3/22? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 36

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 36

ii) How many qualified social workers were working on a permanent basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/21 to 31/3/22? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 117

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 93

e)

i) How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/22 to 31/3/23? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 41

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 39

ii) How many qualified social workers were working on a permanent basis at the Council during the financial year 1/4/22 to 31/3/23?? Broken down, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: 100

Adults' Social Services:

Response: 97

2. What was the total spend by your organisation on temporary/ locum qualified (agency) social workers during the financial years 1/4/19 to 31/3/23? Broken down by financial year, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: See below table

YR	Trust	DMBC	Grand Total
22/23	1,377,132.25	2,687,972.89	4,065,105.14
21/22	3,337,636.77		3,337,636.77
20/21	2,546,907.84		2,546,907.84
19/20	1,685,298.13		1,685,298.13
Grand Total	8,946,974.99	2,687,972.89	11,634,947.88

Adults' Social Services:

Response: See below table

	Adult spend			
	22/23	21/22	20/21	19/20
Totals	£1,164,138.28	£737,563.23	£447,572.80	£532,743.25

3. How many vacant positions were filled through locum temporary/ locum qualified (agency) social workers during the financial years 1/4/18 to 31/3/23? Broken down by financial year. Broken down by financial year, specifically:

Children's Social Services:

Response: See below table

Children's vacant posts

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
32	37	31	39	38

Adults' Social Services:

Response: See below table

Adult vacant posts

2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
24	12	7	23	24

I hope that this information is useful to you.

City of Doncaster Council estimates that it has cost £46.00 to respond to this request for information.

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Yours sincerely,

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