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Further to your recent request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, I now set out our answers to your specific questions, and any clarifications sought and provided, as follows:

For the 3-month period ending 1st June 2026, can you please provide:

1. Total Framework Agency Spend for Sonographers.

£0.

2. Total Off Framework Agency Spend for Sonographers.

£0.

3. Total hours filled by Framework Agencies for Sonographers and a breakdown of hours filled.

None.

4. Total hours filled by Off Framework Agencies for Sonographers and a breakdown of hours filled.

None.

5. A list of all framework agencies utilised by the Trust for Sonographers.

None.

6. A list of all Off Framework Agencies utilised by the Trust for Sonographers and total number of shifts for each Off Framework Agency.

None.

7. The highest Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for Sonographers.

Not applicable.

8. The highest Off Framework Agency Charge Rate within your Trust for Sonographers.

Not applicable.

9. A list of any agency (Framework and Off Framework) that have ongoing block booking arrangements for Sonographers within your Trust within the identified time frame (01.03.2026 – 01.06.2026).

None.

I trust this information is helpful in its detail or explanation however, if you are dissatisfied with the response, then you have the right to request an internal review. If you wish to seek an internal review, please write to the Freedom of Information Team at esh-tr.foi@nhs.net quoting the above FOI reference number, within 40 working days. Please note the Trust is not obliged to accept a request for an internal review after this time period.

Yours faithfully

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