FOI REF: 26/758

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust

10th November 2026

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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:

Please can you provide the below information:

1. **In the period 1st July 2026 to 30th September 2026 please provide a breakdown of:**

   - **Total trust spends with framework agencies for locum nurses**

     Please see the attached document - 'FOI 26-758 Response'.

2. **Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:**

   - **Spend per band**
   - **Spend per specialty**
   - **Spend per agency name**

   Please see the attached document - 'FOI 26-758 Response' and note that all Agency nursing costs, regardless of band, are booked to the same single expense code. As a result, no reporting by band is available.

3. **In the period 1st July 2026 to 30th September 2026 please provide a breakdown of:**

   - **Total trust spend with off framework agencies for locum nurses**

     £0.

4. **Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:**

   - **Spend per band**
   - **Spend per specialty**
   - **Spend per agency name**

   Not applicable.

5. **In the period 1st July 2026 to 30th September 2026 please provide a breakdown of:**

   - **Total trust spend with the internal trust bank or associated external provider for locum nurses**

     Please see the attached document - 'FOI 26-758 Response'.

6. **Please provide a further breakdown for locum nurses by:**

   - **Spend per band**
   - **Spend per specialty**
   - **Spend per agency name**

   Please see the attached document - 'FOI 26-758 Response' and note that all bank nursing costs, regardless of band, are booked to the same single expense code. As a result, no reporting by band is available.

   Bank Nurses are managed in-house by Temporary Workforce Services team.

7. **Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st July 2026 to 30th September 2026)**

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8. **Please confirm the total number of nursing shifts booked above NHSE capped rates during this period for all agency nursing only, no bank staff nursing to be included (1st July 2026 to 30th September 2026)**

   None.

9. **Please confirm the framework you utilise for nursing agency staff.**

   RM6281.

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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FOI 26-758 - East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust
Q1, Q2
Agency Nursing

Agency	Spend Jul-26 to Sep -26
ID Medical Group Limited	£64,949
Your World Recruitment Ltd	£13,488
Medicspro Ltd	£24,761
National Locums	£4,592
Cromwell Medical Staffing	£13,681
TFS Healthcare Limited	£28,145
Medpure Ltd	£93,271
Immediate Medical Solutions Ltd	£3,384
Total	£246,271

Specialty	Spend Jul-26 to Sep -26
Acute Medicine	£15,142
Cardiology	£3,267
Discharge Lounge	£20,383
Emergency Care	£116,637
General Medicine	£8,741
General Surgery	£8,010
Medicine - Escalation	£12,554
Paediatrics	£13,344
Respiratory	£7,607
Theatres	£22,727
Trauma & Orthopaedics	£3,259
UCR, Acute Therapies & IMC	£3,727
Urology	£10,873
Grand Total	£246,271

* Note:
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Q5 and Q6
Bank Nursing

Specialty	Spend Jul-26 to Sep -26
Acute Medicine	£127,455
Cardiology	£101,372
Clinical Services	£27,010
Corporate - Escalation	£68,893
Critical Care	£117,879
Deputy Chief Operating Officer	£30,660
Discharge Lounge	£124,053
Emergency Care	£247,504
Endoscopy	£102,676
Frailty	£169,244
Gastroenterology	£84,074
General Medicine	£79,180
General Surgery	£134,579
Medicine - Escalation	£110,432
Oncology	£34,517
Outpatients Nursing	£61,719
Paediatrics	£105,052
Planned Care Nursing	£136,513
Respiratory	£91,445
Stroke	£70,889
Theatres	£169,407
Trauma & Orthopaedics	£89,546
UCR, Acute Therapies & IMC	£249,470
Urology	£55,423
Women's Health	£28,129
Total	£2,617,121

* Notes:
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Bank Nurses are managed by Internal ESHT Temporary Workforce Services team.