

Dear J Taylor

Thank you for your FOI request to Bradford Council. Please find below the response to your questions.

1. For each of the last 5 financial years, please provide:

- a) The total number of invoices that the authority has processed through accounts payable (AP).
- b) The total expenditure through AP.

	Payment lines	Spend
11-12	The Council does not hold this information	
12-13	141,000	£276m
13-14	160,000	£335m
14-15	137,000	£319m
15-16	126,000	£271m (11 months)

2) Do you currently use/has any 3rd parties completed a duplicate payment review/statement review in the last 5 years? If so please specify the name of the company and the contract end date.

A review is currently being undertaken by Audit Partnership.

3) What is the total value of duplicated invoices/erroneous payments that have been identified by any 3rd parties in the last 5 years or in any period reviewed (please specify).

4) How much did the 3rd party invoice the authority for any review work undertaken?

Please see response to q2. No information to report yet.

5) What accounting system does the authority use (Oracle, E-Financials, Agresso, Sage etc.)?

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6) Please state the authority's total spend on agency staff in the last financial year (14/15), split by the following staff categories, including all spend on agency staff outside of the categories specified as "other":

• Social workers	£712k
• Residential homecare staff	£117k
• Domiciliary care staff	£39k
• Others (please describe the staff)	
Admin	£48k
Engineering	£246k
Fac Mgt	£302k
Finance	£66k
HR	£5k
Legal	£43k
Benefits	£37k
Other Mgt	£59k
Manual	£533k
Trades	£234k

Social Care (Qual)	£508k (excluding Social workers)
Social care (Unqual)	£108k (excluding Residential homecare)

7) Please provide a list of the 10 most utilized agencies in the last financial year.

The Council has a vendor neutral approach so do not book direct with agencies.

8) Does the council use any 3rd party services or software to manage/book agency workers? If so please state the name of the company used, the services provided and the amount that the authority spent on these services/software in the last financial year.

The Council has a corporate contract with Comensura.

You have asked for the amount spent on these services /software in the last financial year. The Council is applying exemption 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act to this part of your request as disclosure would / would be likely to prejudice commercial interests of any person (including public authority).

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, if you are not satisfied with the reply to your request you can ask for a review. A request for a review must be submitted within 40 working days by contacting foi@bradford.gov.uk or by writing Information Governance Team, Bradford Metropolitan District, 5th Floor, Britannia House, Hall Ings, Bradford, West Yorkshire, BD1 1HX.

If you are still not satisfied with the outcome of the internal review you have the right of appeal to the Information Commissioner who can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Tel: 01625 545700 <http://www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk>

Thank you

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