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Please ask for: the Information Access Officer

Date: 11 June 2019

My Ref: 909483

Your Ref:

Dear Mr Ward

Freedom of Information Request - Agency Social Workers

I am writing further to the previous correspondence dated 6 June 2019 regarding your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am pleased to inform you that the Council does hold the information that you have requested and I attach our response.

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Yours sincerely,

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Director of Integrated Commissioning (Interim)
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Received 6 June 2019

Please can you provide the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

Q1. How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council on Monday 20th May 2019, split by:

a) Children's Services social work roles

b) Adults' Services social work roles

A1.

a. 8

b.

Plymouth City Council Adult Social Care: 1

***Livewell Southwest: 5**

Q2. What was the total spend by your organisation on temporary (agency) social work professionals during the financial year 1/4/18 to 31/3/19?

A2.

a.Children's: £1,010,423.18

b.

Plymouth City Council Adult Social Care: £57,409

***Livewell Southwest: £461,160**

***Please note that on 1 April 2015 we transferred the majority of our adult social care fun**