

Date: 10/09/2020

Case reference: CAM377

Dear Requester

Thank you for your request for information dated 20/08/2020 about Temporary Agency workers - Social workers. We have dealt with this under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are as follows:

1 - How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council on 1st April 2020, split by:

a) Children's Services social work roles

b) Adults' Services social work roles

The London Borough of Camden uses a neutral vendor (Matrix SCM) to provide the Council's agency workers. Due to the reporting methods used for to collate agency worker data, we are unable to provide the requested figures as of 1st April 2020 but we are able to provide them as of 31st March 2020. These are outlined in the table below:

Area	Number of Qualified Social Workers working on a (agency) basis as of 31st March 2020
Children's Safeguarding & Social Work	25
Adult Social Care	34

2 - How many qualified social workers were working on a temporary (agency) basis at the Council on 3rd August 2020, split by:

a) Children's Services social work roles

b) Adults' Services social work roles

The London Borough of Camden uses a neutral vendor (Matrix SCM) to provide the Council's agency workers. Due to the reporting methods used for to collate agency worker data, we are unable to provide the requested figures as of 3rd August 2020 but we are able to provide them as of 31st July 2020. These are outlined in the table below:

Area	Number of Qualified Social Workers working on a (agency) basis as of 31st July 2020
Children's Safeguarding & Social Work	27
Adult Social Care	37

3 - What was the total spend by your organisation on temporary (agency) social work professionals during the financial year 1/4/19 to 31/3/20?

During the financial year 2019/20; the London Borough of Camden spent £4,470,196.24 including agency charge rates on temporary (agency) Social Work Professionals.

Further Information:

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Yours sincerely,

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