NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 01 July 2019.

Extract from Request

“Please provide me with the below information relating to staffing within the diagnostic radiography/medical imaging/ultrasound department (all modalities including: General X-Ray, CT, MRI, Mammography & Ultrasound)

1. How many permanent staff are employed by the Radiography/Imaging department (Radiographers & Sonographers, not Radiologists)?
2. How many permanent vacancies are currently open/unfilled within the Radiography/Imaging department (Radiographers & Sonographers, not Radiologists)?
3. How many agency staff/locums are currently being used across the Radiography/Imaging department (Radiographers & Sonographers, not Radiologists)?
4. For agency staff/locums, what is the split in numbers between radiographers and sonographers?
5. How many bank temps are being used across the Radiography/Imaging department?
6. During the 2017-2018 financial year, how much did the Radiography/Imaging department spend on temporary agency staff?
7. During the 2018-2019 financial year, how much did the Radiography/Imaging department spend on temporary agency staff?
8. During the 2018-2019 financial year, how much did the Radiography/Imaging department spend on temporary bank staff?
9. During the 2018-2019 financial year, how much did the Radiography/Imaging department spend on permanent finders/introduction fees through recruitment agencies?
10. Does the Radiography/Imaging department have a dedicated breast screening unit?
11. Please provide me with the following contact names within the authority: a) the name of the senior manager (Radiology Services Manager / Imaging Services Manager) with overall responsibility for the Radiography/Imaging department. b) the name of the head of temporary staffing.”

Response

1. NHS Tayside has 144 WTE permanent radiographers and sonographers.
2. There are currently 4.6 WTE vacancies open/unfilled within the radiography/imaging department.
3. At present, NHS Tayside has one agency staff/locum within the radiography/imaging department.
4. There is one agency staff/locum radiographer.
5. At present, NHS Tayside use two temporary bank staff within the radiography/imaging department.
6. In 2017/18, the radiography/imaging department spent £2,061 on temporary agency staff.
7. No money was spent on temporary agency staff in 2018/19.
8. In 2018/19, the radiography/imaging department spent £59,295 on temporary bank staff.
9. In 2018/19, the radiography/imaging department spent no money on permanent finders/introduction fees through recruitment agencies.
10. The radiography/imaging department does not have a dedicated breast screening unit. There is Symptomatic Breast imaging in Perth Royal Infirmary.
11. a) The senior manager within the radiography/imaging department is Michael Conroy.
   b) NHS Tayside does not have a head of temporary staffing.


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Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

**A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and sent to:**

Head of Information Governance  
Maryfield House (South)  
30 Mains Loans  
Dundee  
DD4 7BT

Or by email to informationgovernance.tayside@nhs.net

**If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:**

Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kiburn Castle  
Doubtedykes Road  
St Andrews, Fife  
KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: [www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal](http://www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal)

**If you have any queries about this correspondence, please contact:**

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