

FOI 3070

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## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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**Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please provide the following information about your procurement of any**  
**(i) external Data Protection Officer (DPO),**  
**(ii) Data protection GDPR compliance services for the period FY2022-23 to FY2024-25:**

### **1.? Current DPO arrangements**

**1.1 Is the organisation's DPO and other staff that work on data protection compliance:**

**(a) An internal employee**

Yes

**(b) A DPO provided by an external service provider**

No

**(c) Hybrid (internal staff with external service provider support)**

No

**1.2 Where services are provided by external providers, please share the following information:**

**(a) The Company name(s)**

N/A

**(b) Annual spend by your organisation (FY2022/2023 through to FY2024/2025)**

N/A

**(d) The highest day rate paid**

N/A

**(e) Contract dates (start/end/renewal terms)**

N/A

**(f) A brief description of the project or services provided (for instance, project title or internal reference)**

N/A

**(f) Services covered (e.g., audits, breach management, SAR management, delivery of DPIAs) •Please indicate what deliverables were produced •? Procurement method (e.g., open competition, framework agreement, direct award) and name of the procurement framework, if applicable**

N/A

## **2.Consultancy Spend**

**2.1 What is the organisation's, total annual expenditure on data protection/GDPR consultancy services?**

N/A

**2.2 For SoW/projects which have a spend of more than £5k), please share the following information:**

**•Supplier company name**

N/A

**•The scope of the Project (e.g., "ICO investigation support", DPIA support, Internal Audit recommendation support) •Spend •Procurement method**

N/A

## **3.Data Protection Compliance staffing**

**3.1 The Number of in-house data protection staff in the organisation? (FTE)**

There are 11 members of staff in the Information Governance Dept who would ensure Data Protection Compliance.

**3.2 Are there any vacant roles? (Yes/No)**

No

**3.3 Where there any ICO investigations, audits, or enforcement actions for the period from FY2022/2023 to FY 2024/2025?**

No

## **4.Future Plans**

Please clarify this question



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**4.1 Is your organisation planning to put out to tender for any DPO/GDPR services in the current financial year?**

No

**4.2 If yes please provide the following:**

**Expected timeline**

**Budget range**

**Key service requirements**

**Procurement method**

N/A

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