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Email:

Dear,

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220432.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

**How much money or expenditure has the trust spent on legal advice/ any legal services in the listed date time frames, to include standing contracts and additional services.**

**April 2018 -April 2019 any services including but not up to DC Beechcrofts legal firm and other firms**

**April 2019- April 2020 any services including but not up to DC Beechcrofts legal firm and any other firms**

**April 2020- April 2021 any services including but not up to DC Beechcrofts legal firm and any other firms**

**April 2021- 20/04/2022 any services including but not up to DC Beechcrofts legal firm and any other firms**

**Additionally:**

**How much money has the trust spent on private investigation firms between 2019- 20/04/2022, to include services provided by Senatus consulting.**

Amounts the Legal Services department have spent on external legal fees over these years as follows:

18/19 £37,296.80

19/20 £1027.90

20/21 £9992.56

21/22 £2400.00

Legal Services have not employed or spent any money on private investigation firms. For the Trust wide spend please see the attached spreadsheet.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Coordinator  
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