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Email:

Dear

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/16/08/27.

You requested the following information:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to formally request the following information:

1. Staff Numbers - Average headcount of permanent and non-permanent staff over the entire 2015/16 financial year or just the headcount as at Thursday, March 31st 2016.

The staff headcount as at 31st March 2016 was 3,956. Please see the table below which shows the headcount split into permanent and non-permanent staff.

	Headcount 31Mar16
Non-Permanent	164
Permanent	3,792
Total	3,956

2. Staff Cost – Total staff cost during the 2015/16 financial year split into permanent and non-permanent staff.

Please see the table below which shows the staff cost split into permanent and non-permanent staff.

Staff Costs	GBP'000
Non- Permanent	6,805
Permanent	128,087
Total	134,892

3. Agency Hours – Hours worked by agency staff in the 2015/16 financial year split by speciality/grade depending on how you report this within your Trust.

Please see the table below which shows this information.

Agency Hours	Hours
Healthcare assistants and other support staff	2,802
Managers and senior managers	19,614
Administration and estates	270,393
Total	292,809

4. Agency Spend – Total amount spent on agency staff in the 2015/16 financial year split into the categories or speciality/grade used by the Trust.

Please see the table below which shows this information.

Agency Spend	GBP'000
Healthcare assistants and other support staff	67
Managers and senior managers	876
Administration and estates	5,468
Total	6,411

5. Do you use a direct engagement model within your Trust? Direct engagement model means the Trust pays agency staff directly and then pays the agency commission separately. The alternative to this is to pay the agency a lump sum for any work done by agency staff and the Agency in turn pays their own staff.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could supply all this information for the year 2015/16 (April '15 to March '16). This will be very valuable information towards my ongoing research.

No, we do not use a direct engagement model

I hope you find this information helpful.

If, for whatever reason you are unhappy with our response, you are entitled to pursue any dissatisfaction through South East Coast Ambulance NHS Foundation Trust's (SECamb) Internal Review Procedure at:

South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust

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Email: complaints@secamb.nhs.uk

Should you remain unhappy with the outcome of any such internal review, you may request a decision from the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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SK9 5AF

If I can be of further assistance to you, please do not hesitate to contact me, quoting the above reference number.

Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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