Reference:	FOI.11340.23
Subject:	Agency nursing
Date of Request:	23 March 2023

Requested:

- 1. From 1st January 2023 to 28th February 2023, please list the wards/departments you have requested shifts for off framework agencies in your Adult Nursing, Mental Health, Community Hospitals?
- 2. From 1st January 2023 to 28th February 2023 have you requested shifts for off framework agencies in your UTC/UCC/MIU?
- 3. Please provide me with the name, contact number & email address of the person responsible for agreeing temporary nursing agency contracts for your Trust?
- 4. Please provide a list of off-framework agencies used by the trust in the past 3 months
- How much was your Off-Framework agency spend for each of the following staff groups between January 1st 2023 – March 10th 2023 (a) RGN's (b) RCN's (c) RMN (d) ITU Nurse (e) A&E Nurse (f) HCA (g) CPN
- 6. How much was your off framework spent for (a) Urgent Treatment Centre (b) Urgent Care Centre (c) Minor Injuries Unit?

Response:

- 3. As this information is already within the public domain, Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) has applied an exemption under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as the information is accessible by another means. The UHB has answered similar Freedom of Information requests, which contain the information requested, and are available on our disclosure log:
 - FOI.10802.23 Recruitment
 - FOI.11323.23 Nursing and Care Off framework usage

For ease of reference, please click on the attached link, which will take you directly to the UHB's disclosure log webpage:

Disclosure Log - Hywel Dda University Health Board (nhs.wales)

- 4. The UHB confirms that the Off-contract agencies utilised for nursing were Liquid Personnel and Thornbury Nursing Services (TNS), during the period 23 December 2022 to 23 March 2023.
- 5. The UHB is unable to provide the information exactly as requested, as it is unable to split all Registered Nurses (RN) by group. However, the UHB provides, within the table below, the Offframework agency spend for Intensive Therapy Unit (ITU) nurses, Accident and Emergency (A&E) nurses, all other RNs and Healthcare Assistants (HCAs), during the period 1 January to 10 March 2023.

Nursing group	Off-framework spend
RN	£835,230.00
ITU	£91,014.00
A&E	£398,293.00
HCA	£3,313.00

6. The UHB is unable to provide the information exactly as requested, as it is unable to split by the departments provided. However, the UHB provides, within the table below, the Off-framework agency spend, broken down by the departments that are closest to meeting those requested, namely A&E, Minor Injuries Unit (MIU) and Same Day Emergency Care (SDEC), during the period 1 January to 10 March 2023.

Department	Off-framework spend
A&E	£398,293.00
MIU	£17,747.00
SDEC	£652.00