Reference:	FOI.4422.20
Subject:	Business cases
Date of Request:	2 November 2020

Requested:

Please can you provide any business cases for international, permanent, and fixed-term recruitment across all staff groups (Medical & Dental, Nurses, AHP & HSS etc.) over the last 36 months?

Response:

requested as it is estimated that the cost of answering your request would exceed the "appropriate level" as stated in the Freedom of Information (Fees and Appropriate Limit) Regulations 2004. The "appropriate level" represents the estimated cost of one person spending 18 hours or (2 ½ working days) in determining whether the UHB holds the information, and locating, retrieving and extracting the information.

In order to provide you with the requested information, the UHB would need to undertake a manual search of all business cases, for the previous thirty six (36) months, to identify any information that fulfils your request as this information is not recorded centrally.

The UHB is therefore applying an exemption under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOI), which provides an exemption from a public authority's obligation to comply with a request for information where the cost of compliance is estimated to exceed the appropriate limit.