

Freedom of Information Request

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***Note to Applicant:** As of 1 April 2017, North Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (NEP) and South Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (SEPT) merged to form one new organisation known as Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT).

Information Requested:

Could you be kind enough to source the below please:-

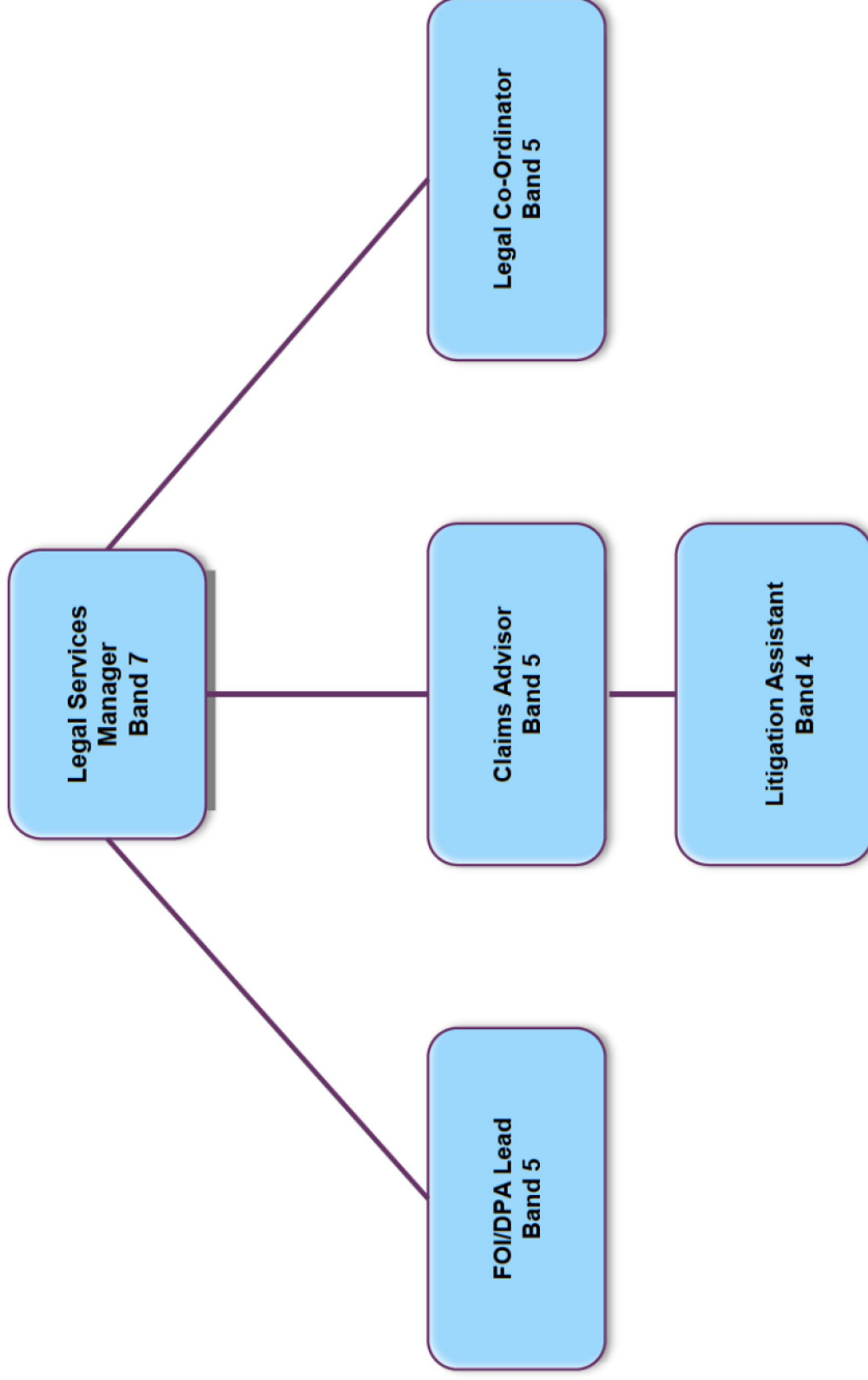
1. Total global (Trust) legal spend for financial year 2017 - 2018 - i.e. the cost spent on external law firms / lawyers. Ideally broken down by expenditure on:
 - a. Inquests
 - b. Claims excess (employment and public liability)
 - c. Court of protection
 - d. Employment law advice
 - e. Any other legal expenditure

The Trust records its expenditure in the categories listed below:

| Categories | Expenditure 01.04.2017- 31.03.2018 |
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| Corporate Governance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes Inquests and Court of Protection | £40-45,000 |
| Claims excess | £65 – 70,000 |
| Employment Law Advice | £170 - £175,000 |
| Any Other Expenditure:- | |
| Clinical Governance & Quality | £130-135,000 |
| Communications & Engagement | £<5,000 |
| Compliance | £<5,000 |
| Estates & Facilities | £35 – 40,000 |
| Medical | £<5,000 |
| Safeguarding | £<5,000 |

2. Summary of legal department structure - either in chart form or otherwise by Banding only. Please see attached structure chart.

Legal Department Structure



The Legal Team is accountable to the Associate Director of Planning who has responsibility for various teams.