

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Could I please make a FOI for the following information?

1. Details of all external support being used to support on the Lampard inquiry (formerly the Essex Mental Health inquiry) in both 22/23 and 23/24. Could you please list the name of the organisation, the nature of their support, the cost of their work and for whether their work has been completed or is ongoing?

External Support	Nature of Support	Cost	Complete or Ongoing
2022/2023			
Browne Jacobson LLP	Legal Advice	150,354	Ongoing
On The Level PR	Communications Advice	7,440	Complete
Walden Strategy LTD	Independent Director	20,150	Complete
Dr Lenny Cornhill	Independent Medical Advisor	2,550	Complete
2023/2024 (to 31 October 2023)			
Browne Jacobson LLP	Legal Advice	21,084	Ongoing
On The Level PR	Communications Advice	1,800	Complete
Walden Strategy LTD	Independent Director	15,600	Complete
Dr Lenny Cornhill	Independent Medical Advisor	1,050	Complete
Verita Consultancy LTD	Management Consultants	7,415	Complete

2. The name of the senior responsible officer for work on the Lampard inquiry and the number of full time equivalents who work on the Lampard inquiry.

The SRO is Nigel Leonard Executive Director of Major Projects and Programmes.

As at 30 November 2023 17.4 FTE are working on the Lampard Inquiry.

3. A copy of the trust's CQC action plan submitted in 2023 and the date of submission.
The Trust has one overarching CQC improvement plan, which was presented at our public board meeting in September 2023.

The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the [Board of Directors Meeting Part 1.pdf \(eput.nhs.uk\)](#) website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):

4. How much did the trust pay KPMG for its support on the above CQC action plan?
£16k

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

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