

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_539_23

You asked:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

1. Since 1st January 2022 how many staff have been given permission to work remotely outside of the UK?
2. Please provide a list of each unique approval detailing; country, job title of the individual concerned and length of time spent working outside of the UK.
3. Are there any additional associated costs created by staff working outside of the UK. Please provide a breakdown of these costs and the total spent since 1st January 2022.

Our response:

We can confirm that the Health Board does not centrally record this information. To obtain this information would involve a manual trawl and search of individual staff records, which we have estimated would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit (£450 cost limit) set out in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act. Under the Act we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.