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## REQUEST

1. The company names of external contractors currently contracted to provide services in your NHS trust.

2. A description of the services provided by these external contractors to your NHS trust.

3. The number of staff working for each external contractor at the NHS trust.

4. The monetary value of each contract held per annum in GBP broken down by the name of contractor.

5. The date which the contracts held between the trust and each external contractor began and are due to expire.

6. Whether each external contractor implements NHS Agenda for Change pay awards for their staff working at the NHS trust.

I'm interested in is where the Trust has outsourced parts of a service to a private provider that requires workers on site regularly - for example, companies providing 'estate' services (cleaning, catering, etc) - or any other service which request which requires workers to be on site on a long term basis

## RESPONSE

For questions 1-5 the MWL Hospitals at Whiston and St Helens are provided under a PFI arrangement which started in 2006 for 35 years. This includes the provision of soft FM services and the transfer of staff under the Retention of Employment rules that were in place at the time.

The details of the PFI payments can be found in the Trusts annual report and accounts which is published on the trust website.

Please note that we are unable to answer question 6 as the Trust does not hold information on the payment of staff working for separate entities such as contractors.