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By email to:

Dear

Freedom of Information request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request, which was received by the Human Tissue Authority (HTA) on Tuesday 20 December 2022.

"Please advise:

1. How many staff (as measured by full-time equivalents) do you employ to work on communications? Please include all internal and external communications including work on your website, media queries and social media.

2. What was your communication spending for the financial year 2021/22 and what is the budget for the current communications spending in the current financial year?"

Response

Please see the answers to your questions below:

1. How many staff (as measured by full-time equivalents) do you employ to work on communications? Please include all internal and external communications including work on your website, media queries and social media.

The HTA employs 4 members of staff (full time equivalent) to work on communications.

2. What was your communication spending for the financial year 2021/22 and what is the budget for the current communications spending in the current financial year?

The core communication spend for the 2021/22 financial year was \pounds 32,977 and we are currently forecast to spend \pounds 27,110 on core communication activity in 2022/23.

In 2021/22 we also had additional project spend of £103,574. This spend covered the redevelopment of the HTA website and the revision and development of the communications and engagement strategy. We don't anticipate any additional project spend in 2022/23.

Further information

If you are unhappy with the way the HTA has handled your request for information in this case, you may in the first instance ask us for an internal review by writing to us at the above postal or email address.

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Yours sincerely

