

9 April 2021
Our ref: 7103348

Thank you for your request received on 9 March 2021, for the following information:

Please supply the following information about your Occupational Therapy Services:

- 1. What is your current Occupational Therapy headcount?**
- 2. How many OT vacancies do you currently have?**
- 3. How many Locum OT's do you currently have working for you?**
- 4. What is the longest continuous period of time you have used a Locum for?**
- 5. How many OT assessments do you expect a locum to carry out per week?**
- 6. What is the average price per hour you pay for an experienced Locum?**
- 7. How much have you spent on Locum OT's during the last financial year?**
- 8. Would you expect a Locum to carry out any other duties e.g. supervision, attend team meetings or join in training?**

We have processed this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Response

The council holds the information requested and the answers to your questions are below.

1. What is your current Occupational Therapy headcount?

18.6 posts

2. How many OT vacancies do you currently have?

None

3. How many Locum OT's do you currently have working for you?

13

4. What is the longest continuous period of time you have used a Locum for?

Three years

5. How many OT assessments do you expect a locum to carry out per week?

Dependent on case complexity - so not possible to determine accurately. Primary focus can be on one case taking a week; others may take a day. An estimation is four cases per week for each full-time (or equivalent) post.

6. What is the average price per hour you pay for an experienced Locum?

£32.99

7. How much have you spent on Locum OT's during the last financial year?

£498,187.

8. Would you expect a Locum to carry out any other duties e.g. supervision, attend team meetings or join in training?

Yes - locums would be expected to carry out the same responsibilities as a permanent employee in the same role.

Further information

If you are interested in the data that the council holds you may wish to visit Open Barnet, the council's data portal. This brings together all our published datasets and other information of interest on one searchable database for anyone, anywhere to access. <http://open.barnet.gov.uk/>

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