Thank you for your recent Freedom of Information Request.

The response from the relevant department is as follows:

- For each of the last three financial years, what was the total cost of your in-house legal function?
- For each of the last three financial years, how much have you spent on external solicitors (including e.g. shared service/alternative delivery model)?
- For each of the last three financial years, how much have you spent on external barristers?

Financial year	Total cost of inhouse legal function (includes staffing costs and disbursements such as Interpreters fees & land registry fees)	External expenditure for legal firms	External expenditure for counsel
2018/19	£2.4	£180,694.47	£507,755.33
2017/18	£2.5	£135,104.56	£504,622.73
2016/17	£2.3m	£371,508.69	£436,922.85

See the table below for the above queries

- What are the current job titles within your in-house legal function and the salary grades for those roles?
- How many of each role do you have?

Job Roles	Salary grades	FTE equivalent posts in the structure
Group Manager	Hay Band G (scp57-62)	1
Team Manager	Hay Band F (scp 50-55)	2
Senior Solicitor	Hay Band E (scp 41-46)	5
Solicitors	Hay Band D (scp 36-41)	18
Advanced Legal Practitioner	Hay Band C (scp 33-38)	4
Legal Practitioner	NJE Grade 5 (scp 15-22)	14
Business Support Administrator	NJE Grade 3 (Scp 5-7)	4

Do you have a shared service or alternative delivery model for legal services? If yes, what is it? No

I hope this now satisfies your request, and should you have any further enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me directly on the details below.

In addition to this and for future reference Nottingham County Council regularly publishes previous FOIR,s and answers on its website, under Disclosure logs. (see link) http://site.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/thecouncil/democracy/freedom-of-information/disclosure-log/

You can use the search facility using keywords.

If you wish to raise any concerns about the way your request was dealt with, then please write to the Team Manager, Complaints and Information, County Hall, West Bridgford, Nottingham, NG2 7QP or e-mail <u>foi@nottscc.gov.uk</u> quoting the reference number above.

Kind Regards

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