



Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 20 October 2020.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

The scope of these services provided

• Independent and non-executive search, recruitment, selection (including longlisting, shortlisting, client stakeholder and applicant liaison)

The cost of the above services

 \circ £18,000 incl VAT

The process undertaken to select this firm and the rationale for selecting this company rather than others

 Use of Crown Commercial Service's list of recommended suppliers, selecting three recruitment firms with extensive experience of recruiting to non-executive positions within healthcare, in particular the NHS. Trust stakeholders including the Governors' Nominations Committee collectively opted for Gatenby Sanderson; the company had a very clear idea of the sort of candidate that MKUH would require, combined with their extensive experience and strong track record of successful recruitment to NHS non-executive roles. Selection over the other two firms was mainly due to (1) lack of the non-executive NHS recruitment expertise, and (2) value for money comparison.

The tender documentation and proposal submitted by the firm

• The Trust is exempting this information under Section 43(2)

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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