FOI0350/2024 Response

1. In 2020 Thirsty Horses was commissioned to review the culture and working practices in our function. I can assure you that Thirsty Horses did do consultancy work. I attended some of the sessions they facilitated when they reviewed the HR processes and the culture in the organisation. Please could you look into this again. I know that there has been a huge turnover in staff in the HR team but I am sure one of the senior managers will recall the work they did and the report(s) they provided. It was at the time where the Trust reviewed its values.

The Trust confirms that our stance still stands as noted in FOI 0206/2024.

Thirsty Horses were commissioned in August 2019 to conduct a review, but this did not materialise into any arrangements that resulted in financial spend.

2. In 2017 Steph Crowe the then head of L&D commissioned a piece of work title the BSMHFT big behavioural framework. You appear not to have answered this question at all.

The Trust confirms that our stance still stands as noted in FOI 0206/2024, there is no noted spend.

3. In 2018 the OD team bought a programme of team working interventions from Aston OD.

The Aston OD initiative was led by Helen Billings from OD and I believe that it cost £40k a year. I will try and establish more information on this subject. I do know that they changed the name of their company. I am sure that Richard Sollars will recall the initiative if that helps. The company name is called Affina Organisation Development - they are based in Farnborough.

The Trust has reviewed our records and searched for "Affina Organisation Development" and we have found no spend associated to this organisation.