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I am responding to your request for information received 20 September 2024 and clarified on 23 September. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113  
Web: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Request:** Please provide a structure chart of your internal Legal Team, including job titles, and banding.

**Clarification:** By internal legal team, I am referring to the ELFT Legal Affairs Department.

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—  
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and  
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested. The Trust does not have a structure chart for the internal legal department as requested. However the following roles form the Legal team structure:

- Associate Director of Legal Affairs
- Trust Solicitor
- Claims manager
- Three Paralegals – (One paralegal is currently completing a secondment as a Junior Solicitor)

Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

*(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.*

The information you have requested relates to less than ten individuals and has the potential for those individuals to be identified. The Trust is therefore unable to provide detail on banding as requested.



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