### Freedom of Information request to Public Health Wales

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**Information requested:**

1. What is the number of medical consultant posts (including NHS and honorary) in your health board by a) headcount and b) WTE, broken down by specialty, as of 18 March 2016 for the following:
   1. posts occupied by a permanent substantive consultant
   2. posts occupied by a locum consultant (both agency and board employed)
   3. other consultant posts not covered by (i) or (ii), including but not limited to:
      - vacant posts which are awaiting approval for recruitment
      - newly-created posts which have not yet been advertised
      - posts currently under active recruitment, including those where an appointment has been made but the consultant is not yet in post
      - posts which although currently unfilled are not under active recruitment, e.g. where a previous recruitment exercise has been unsuccessful

2. As of 18 March 2016, how many of the posts listed under (ii) and (iii) above have not been occupied by a permanent substantive post holder since 18 March 2015?

**Information provided for the answer**

1. vacant posts which are awaiting approval for recruitment – 1 WTE  Public Health Medicine
2. newly-created posts which have not yet been advertised  None
3. posts currently under active recruitment, including those where an appointment has been made but the consultant is not yet in post – 1.8 WTE  Public Health Medicine - 1 WTE Health Protection
4. posts which although currently unfilled are not under active recruitment, e.g. where a previous recruitment exercise has been unsuccessful Information not currently stored on ESR.
5. As of 18 March 2016, how many of the posts listed under (ii) and (iii) above have not been occupied by a permanent substantive post holder since 18 March 2015? 1 WTE Health Protection