

11 November 2025

Dear Applicant

Our Ref: FOI 964

Your request for information received on 15 October 2025 has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Request

- 1. How many people in the departments of your corporate finance function and any internal affairs investigation teams have a qualification in either doing fraud investigations or doing anti corruption investigations to include any modern slavery or human trafficking allegations?*
- 2. In respect of 1 above what are the names of those fraud or anti corruption qualifications held?*
- 3. For 1 above how many people in the departments named at 1 above have a formal qualification or training in human trafficking or modern slavery prevention?*
- 4. In respect of 3 above what are the names of those human trafficking qualifications held.*
- 5. Does the NI Housing Executive currently deliver any Human Trafficking or Modern slavery awareness training for frontline housing staff who may encounter this?*
- 6. The need for modern slavery coordinators in local authorities in the UK was highlighted in January 2025 by the UK Anti Slavery Commissioner. Does the NI Housing Executive currently have such a role or have plans to introduce a role?*

Our response

- 1. How many people in the departments of your corporate finance function and any internal affairs investigation teams have a qualification in either doing fraud investigations or doing anti corruption investigations to include any modern slavery or human trafficking allegations?**
- 2. In respect of 1 above what are the names of those fraud or anti corruption qualifications held?**

SRF BTEC Level 7 Advanced Professional Certificate in Investigative Practice.
CFPAB – Accredited Counter Fraud Technician
CFPAB - Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist
ICA Certificate in Anti-Money Laundering
CIPFA (Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy).
ACAMS (Association of Certified Anti Money Laundering Specialists).

3. For 1 above how many people in the departments named at 1 above have a formal qualification or training in human trafficking or modern slavery prevention?

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4. In respect of 3 above what are the names of those human trafficking qualifications held.

Fighting Modern Slavery & Human Trafficking Certificate (Part 1 and Part 2).

5. Does the NI Housing Executive currently deliver any Human Trafficking or Modern slavery awareness training for frontline housing staff who may encounter this?

While no formal training has been provided, the Housing Executive has engaged with representatives from Modern Slavery, Human Trafficking and Child Exploitation Branch in the Department of Justice in raising awareness of Human Trafficking or Modern slavery. This has involved awareness raising sessions delivered to Team Leader Forums in September along with planned attendance at our Homelessness Local Area Groups in February and March 2026. The Homelessness Local Area Groups contain representatives from a range of statutory and voluntary partners, and the Housing Executive will build on this engagement in the delivery of the Homelessness Strategy 2022-27.

As part of the Housing Executive's Safeguarding Training, we cover Human Trafficking Legislation and highlight it as a form of abuse that staff may encounter and must report on through the relevant reporting processes. In addition to this we also developed an internal Equality Bulletin for staff on tackling human trafficking & modern slavery.

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Information not held.

This concludes our response.