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	<p>I am submitting this Freedom of Information request to seek further details regarding the recent and planned recruitment of curatorial and cultural roles at Haigh Hall.</p> <p>1. Clarification of Curatorial Roles</p> <p>a. Is Dr Jacqueline Riding's Curatorial Consultant role separate from, or related to, the two roles mentioned by Peter Hughes in his email on 20 January 2025:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Head of Collections & Cultural Programming'• 'Head of Events'? <p>b. Will Dr Riding's role end before, or overlap with, these new appointments?</p> <p>c. Are these three roles part of a wider restructuring plan for cultural leadership at Haigh Hall?</p>	<p>1.</p> <p>a. Dr. Riding has been commissioned via Atkins Realis to support the project on a temporary, time-limited basis. This is separate from the two permanent roles that the Council is recruiting to that you make reference to</p> <p>b. Dr. Riding's involvement in the project will end before the two permanent posts referenced are appointed to</p> <p>c. The two permanent roles referred to – Head of Collections and Head of Events are part of the wider strategy to strengthen and develop the Haigh Senior Management Team as we move throughout the project and closer to opening the Hall to the public.</p>
	<p>2. Job Descriptions & Recruitment Process</p> <p>a. Please provide full job descriptions for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Head of Collections & Cultural Programming• Head of Events <p>b. Were these positions publicly advertised? If so, provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The date and location(s) where the job listings were posted.• A copy of the job advertisements as they appeared.• If they were not publicly advertised, what was the rationale for this decision?	<p>2.</p> <p>a. The job specifications will be made public via the Greater Jobs system when they are advertised.</p> <p>Here is the link to the Greater Jobs website: greater.jobs - Home Page greater.jobs</p> <p>b. We are in the process of advertising both of these positions publicly. They will both be listed on the Greater Jobs system that all Local Authorities in Greater Manchester use to advertise vacancies.</p>

<p>3. Salary, Contract Terms & Procurement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. What is the salary range for each of these roles? b. Are these roles fixed-term, permanent, freelance, or consultancy-based? c. Are these positions externally funded (e.g., Arts Council England, Levelling Up Fund)? d. What is the total financial allocation for these roles, including salaries, consultancy fees, and associated costs? e. Do these positions fall under the council's financial threshold for public tendering? f. If so, what was the exact threshold used? g. How was this threshold determined? 	<p>3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. The salaries for each of these jobs will be stated when publicly advertised. b. Both of these roles are permanent positions. c. Both of these roles are funded by Wigan Council. d. The total financial allocation for each of these roles will be the salary costs. e. The financial threshold for public tendering is irrelevant as we are recruiting to vacant staffing positions not procuring a contract f. N/a g. N/a
<p>4. Strategic Planning & Decision-Making</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. When was the decision made to create these roles? b. Were any impact assessments conducted regarding their financial viability and alignment with Wigan Council's Community Wealth Building commitments? c. Were these roles planned before or after the decision to not renew AI and AI's contract? 	<p>4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Since the masterplan was developed there has been an acknowledgement that these roles would be required to deliver against the vision for Haigh Hall b. No c. Before, however given that AI and AI are no longer involved in the project the job specifications reflect some of the responsibilities that AI and AI were expected to undertake in their roles, in particular the Head of Cultural Programming.
<p>Request for Documents:</p> <p>To ensure transparency, please provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Copies of the job descriptions and recruitment documents for these roles. 2. Any internal communications or meeting minutes discussing the creation of these roles. 3. Any funding agreements relating to these appointments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Job specifications will be available to the public when the post is advertised on the public website 2. N/a 3. N/a