

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2024
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 19TH FEBRUARY 2024**

Question

“Will the Minister state the current number of employees and vacancies within the Planning Department, broken down by job title, and advise what roles are currently filled by overseas or agency staff?”

Answer

The Planning Applications Team is made up of **18** Full Time Equivalent posts

| Job Title | Number of posts | Vacant posts | Comments |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|--|
| Planning Applications Manager | 1 | 1 | Senior Planner acting up - January 2024 recruitment unsuccessful |
| Senior Planning Officer | 7 | 1 | Recruitment currently under way – applications close 20/2/2024 |
| Planning Officer | 5 | 0 | |
| Trainee Planner | 5 | 2 | Recruitment currently under way – applications close 20/2/2024 |
| Total | 18 | 4 | |

One of the Senior Planning Officers is temporarily acting up into the Planning Applications Manager post, and during this time their post is being back-filled by a UK contractor.