

FOI REF:	15135
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Request

1. On average, how many planners at senior or management level did your local authority employ in the financial years?

a) 2017/18

23

b) 2019/20

19

c) 2021/22

19

d) 2023/24

19

This would include senior/principal planners, team leaders and chief planners/heads. If not able to express as an average, perhaps you could confirm the headcount at a specific date or at year-end.

2. How many ecologists does your local authority currently directly employ? As well as ecologists/senior ecologists, this would include planning ecologists and biodiversity officers. **As at 30/01/2025 we have 2 employees with a job title containing Ecologist.**

3. What are the job titles of the ecologists the local authority currently directly employs?

- **Principal Ecologist/Biodiversity Officer**

- **Ecologist/Biodiversity Officer**

4. How many ecologists left their role between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024?

none

5. On average, how many ecologists did your local authority directly employ in the financial years

a) 2017/18

1

b) 2019/20

2



c) 2021/22?

2

Again, if not able to express as an average, perhaps you could confirm the headcount at a specific date or at year-end.

6. On average, how many ecologists at senior or management level did you directly employ in

a) 2017/18

1

b) 2019/20

1

c) 2021/22?

1

Again, if not able to express as an average, perhaps you could confirm the headcount at a specific date or at year-end.

All data given as at the end of each FY requested rather than an average.

