

## FOI DOF/2021-0037

**Request****Can I please make a request for the following information;**

1. Can I please be advised how many EO2s-SSO1s recruited from IRC209777 are still employed by the Department for Communities. Please also break these figures down by workplace i.e. JSA, ESA, CMS/CSA, JBO.

2. How many Agency EO2-SSO1s were contracted to work in the Department for communities after June 2019 in the following business areas;

- A. Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)
- B. Jobseekers Allowance (JSA)
- C. Child Maintenance Service/Child Support Agency (CMS/CSA)
- D. Disability Living Allowance (DLA)
- E. Personal Independence Payments (PIP)
- F. Jobs and Benefits Offices (JBO)
- E. Other business areas in which FTA EO2-SSO1s had been placed upon starting.

**DoF Response**

1. A total of 55\* EO2-SSO1s recruited from IRC209777 are still employed by the Department for Communities.

\*This number includes staff who were appointed from IRC209777 but have subsequently been successful in other internal or external competitions.

Figures have been broken down by current branch in the table below.

<b>Department &amp; Organisation</b>	<b>Total Employees</b>
<b>DfC</b>	<b>55</b>
DfC, Belfast CMS 2012 COCS Non Benefit	1
DfC, Business Leadership & Development Team Bankmore	1
DfC, DACS Deactivation Project	31
DfC, Decision Making Services	1
DfC, DS Antrim	2
DfC, DWP Universal Credit Full Service	6
DfC, DWP Universal Credit Full Service Lisahally	6
DfC, Girdwood Park & Business Administration	1
DfC, HED Heritage State Care Lanyon	1

DfC, LGBT Policy Unit	1
DfC, Personal Independence Payment Team	1
DfC, Strategic Policy & Professional Services G3 Branch	1
DfC, Supplementary Payments Team	2
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>55</b>

2. A total of 66 Agency EO2-SSO1s were contracted to work in the Department for Communities between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019 and 31<sup>st</sup> January 2021. They are recorded as being recruited against the following branches:

<b>Agency EOII Recruitment after June 2019</b>	<b>Count of Grade</b>
<b>Branch/Division</b>	<b>EOII</b>
DfC, Castle Court Service Centre (UC)	5
DfC, DCS - Contact Centre and Customer Maintenance Team	1
DfC, DS Antrim	24
DfC, DS Dungannon	4
DfC, DWP Universal Credit Full Service - Lisahally	1
DfC, North Belfast	2
DfC, UC Armagh	2
DfC, UC Carrickfergus	2
DfC, UC Dungannon	9
DfC, UC Enniskillen	7
DfC, UC Larne	1
DfC, UC Newtownards	1
DfC, Universal Credit Newry Service Centre	2
DfC, Universal Credit Operational Control Centre	5
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>66</b>