Our workforce - Q1 25/26

Length of Service *

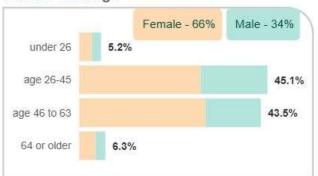
At the end of Q1 25/26, we had **5440** (4596.6 fte) people, a decrease of 14 employees from last quarter. Of these **334** were apprentices, which accounted for **6.1%** of directorate workforce. During Q1 25/26, there were **415** agency workers, compared to 425 workers in last quarter. Of those 415 workers, **349** were active at the end of the quarter.

Headcount as at 31 March in the past 5 years

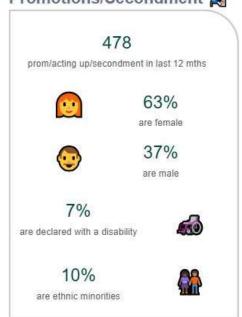
 2020-21
 2021-22
 2022-23
 2023-24
 2024-25

 5087
 5116
 5310
 5378
 5454

Gender and Age



Promotions/Secondment



Sickness

8.8 days

were lost per employee to sickness in the past 4 quarters ending Q1 25/26

Top 3 Reasons - Q1 25/26

31.5%

Stress & mental health related

11.4%

Operation/Post Op.

9.2%

Cold, ENT & Dental

4.3 days per fte were lost to long term sickness. Long term absence accounted for 49% of all sick days in the past 12 months.

2.8 days per fte were lost to stress related sickness. Stress related absence accounted for 31% of all sick days in the past 12 months.

Starters

We had **151** starters in Q1 25/26, **11%** of these were under 26. New starters account for **2.8%** of total workforce

Leavers

We had **164** leavers in Q1 25/26, **7%** of these were under 26. Leavers account for **3.0%** of total workforce



21% people with people with 2 people with 2 to 5 Years people with over 5 Years Annual Turnover Rate

12.1% 13.0% 13.6% 3.0% 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25 2025/26 Number of starters left within the first 6 months 5 62 45 56 2022/23 2023/24 2024/25 2025/26