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FOI Request dated **23/01/2023** as follows -

1) *Has your university used non-disclosure agreement settlements in relation to research misconduct complaints over the last five academic years? (2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022). If so, please provide the numbers and sums of money paid out, broken down by year.*

2) *Has any legal action been taken against your university over the last five academic years (2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-2020, 2020-2021, 2021-2022) due to a research misconduct case? Please break this down by year and provide details of whether the legal action was brought by an external individual, a student or staff member, where possible.*

3) *How much has your university spent in legal fees in connection with research misconduct complaints over the last five academic years (2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22). Please breakdown by year.*

*Clarity - By research misconduct I would go with the university's own code of practice on this. Hull's policy is here and contains a definition:*

<https://www.hull.ac.uk/work-with-us/research/site-elements/docs/research-misconduct.pdf>

*Most universities keep records of how many allegations of research misconduct are made each year and so on. Please let me know if you need any further clarification.*

**Response**

No information held.