



Ref: FOIA Reference 2021/22-298

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Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 1st September 2021 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding framework

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 I would like to make a freedom of information request.

I am doing a research project investigating call-off contracts in the public sector. I have identified some potential call-off contracts awarded by University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust, but I can't find details of the framework agreement they were awarded from.

I have attached an Excel file that contains the information I am looking at. The last two columns ("Title of Framework used" and "contracts finder or ted link of framework agreement") are where I am missing information - please could you fill these in. Please note that I have identified these contracts as possible call-off contracts, so some of them might not be. Some could be, for instance, procured directly (without being called off from a framework agreement), or could be themselves notices for the establishment of a framework agreement. Therefore I would kindly ask you to specify in these incidences what kind of procurement was used in the "Title of Framework used" column.

I have provided the title, description, details of the email contact from the notice, the value of the contract and procedure type used to award each potential call-off, as well as a URL link to the call-off in question and unique reference ID for each potential call-off. Please let me know if there is anything else you need to complete the request. If you do not feel like this request could be completed in good time, please could you work down the list and do as much of a subset as you can?

A1 See attached spread sheet that you supplied.

*Please note that any individuals identified do not give consent for their personal data to be processed for the purposes of direct marketing.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

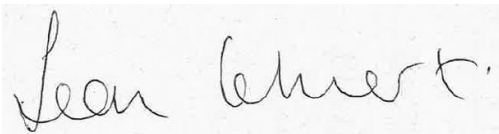
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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