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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding transactions over £25,000.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) 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'm making a request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) for information on all transactions over £25,000 from April 2014 to August 2018 for University Hospitals of North Midlands. Please provide:
  - The date of transaction
  - The value of transaction
  - The recipient
  - Category of the transaction

(As a minimum)

I would like this data to be provided in a machine readable format - .csv would be the preferred format.

I have looked on your website for this information but cannot find it – I will accept the data being published on your website as adequate response to this FOI.

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding transactions over £25,000, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link: (October 2016- March 2018.)

http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/Statutory-Policies-and-Procedures/Pages/FreedomofInformationPublicationScheme.aspx

I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding transactions over £25,000 (April 2018-August 2018), but feel this information is exempt under section 22: *Information for future publication*. These will be available on the above Trust website in October 2018.

Please see attached spread sheets for April-September 2016, 2015 and 2014







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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.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,

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