



Ref: FOIA Reference 2021/22-557

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Date: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 3rd February 2022 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding fleet

**The University Hospitals of North Midlands Trust is committed to the Freedom of Information Act 2000.**

**However, the NHS is facing unprecedented challenges relating to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic at the current time. Understandably, our resources have been diverted to support our front-line colleagues who are working tremendously hard to provide care for our patients, and to those in need of our services.**

**We strive to be transparent and to work with an open culture. But at this time, whilst care of our patients and the safety of our staff takes precedent, it is likely that responses to some requests for information will be delayed. We apologise for this position in advance, and will endeavour to provide you with as much information as we can, as soon as we are able.**

**The Information Commissioners Office has recognised the current situation in the NHS.**

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 The Trust is requested to provide a list of motor vehicles operated (owned or leased) and currently licensed with the Driver & Vehicle Licensing Authority (“the DVLA”). Please include the following details.**

- 1. Vehicle Make and Model;**
- 2. Vehicles sold within the last 12 months;**

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding fleet, 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: FOI ref 439-2122  
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<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/freedom-of-information-publication-scheme/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/>

Note: 2. No vehicles have been sold in the last 12 months

**Q2 Date new or date of acquisition.**

A2 Lease contract expires 31st October 2022

**Q3 Name and email address of the individual responsible for fleet management. Please ensure this is provided by PDF attachment.**

A3 Stuart Ramsdale\*: note all Trust Emails are in the following format:  
[firstname.lastname@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:firstname.lastname@uhnm.nhs.uk)

\*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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An anonymised copy of this request can be found on the Trust's disclosure log, please note that all requests can be found at the following link: <http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/aboutus/Statutory-Policies-and-Procedures/Pages/Freedom-of-Information-Disclosure-Log.aspx>

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.

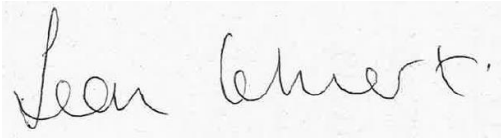
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and 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](http://www.ico.org.uk).

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

Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light-colored background. The signature reads "Jean Lehnert" in a cursive script.

Jean Lehnert  
**Data, Security & Protection Manager**