



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-152

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Email foi@uhn.nhs.uk

Dear sir/madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 31st May 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding menus.

As of 1st 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 Please provide the standard inpatient menus and vegan inpatient menus used in February 2024, plus the standard inpatient menus and vegan inpatient menus used in June 2024, in the format that is provided to patients. If the vegan menu is incorporated into another special menu please provide that menu.

A1 County Hospital – Please see attached.

Royal Stoke University Hospital – Catering provided by the Trust's PFI partner; therefore, the information is not held by the Trust.

Q2 Please provide information on the consumption of each menu item during February 2024 (how many times was each menu item chosen during this period by inpatients?)

A2 As answer 1

Q3 Please confirm how many beds your hospitals have.

A3 The bed numbers below include General and Acute, Day case, Critical Care, Neonatal, Maternity, Childrens and Escalation beds where applicable.

Royal Stoke 1,408 beds.
County 207 beds

Q4 How many hospital sites do you have, do they all have the same catering providers?

A4 There are two sites under University Hospital of North Midlands.

County Hospital – In House provision

Royal Stoke University Hospital – Catering provided by the Trust's PFI partner.

Q5 Please confirm who the catering provider is for inpatient menus.

A5 As answer 4

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Yours,



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