



Ref: FOIA Reference 2019/20-378b

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Date: 22nd October 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 15th October 2019 regarding our response for information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding taxi costs and reasons.

You emailed us with the following:

"Thanks for this, Please can you answer the Royal Stoke section of the FOI? If the info is not held by UNHM then who holds the info?"

UHNM re-ran the data and we have amended our response accordingly, we sincerely apologise that the following data wasn't available initially.

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 can you tell me how much money has been spent on taxis by UHNM in the period between September 1, 2018 and September 1, 2019?

A1 For County Hospital (Stafford): £16,298, this includes waiting time.

Amended response:

For the Royal Stoke University Hospital: £35,542.00, this includes waiting time

Q2 Please can you also tell me the reasons for the taxi journeys in the period between September 1st 2018 and September 1st 2019? For example; patient transfer, moving equipment and moving documents.

Can you please provide me this information in a spreadsheet format?

A2 Please refer to the attached **amended** spread sheet.

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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.

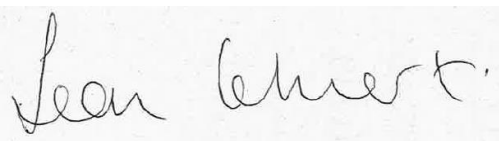
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 676474.

Yours,



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