

Ref: FOIA Reference 2020/21-287

Date: 6th November 2020

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 15th October 2020 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Covid-19 capital bids.

On 21st October 2020 we contacted you via email as we required the following clarification:

The total value of your Covid-related capital bids

A. *Can you confirm if this refers only to bids submitted under the process on the link you have identified above and does not include COVID bids for prospective funding submitted under subsequent guidance?*

The total in funding you've received for Covid-related capital bids.

• How many bids you have made and how many are awaiting central approval.

B. *Can you confirm if this refers only to bids submitted under the process on the link you have identified above and does not include COVID bids for prospective funding submitted under subsequent guidance?*

On 2nd November 2020 you replied via email with the following:

"Thanks for getting in touch. In response to your questions, as far as we're aware the guidance for covid-related capital expenditure has not changed (apart from rescinding the ability to retrospectively approval bids of less than £250k). If this isn't correct please let me know.

Either way, please submit all covid-related capital expenditure bids regardless of changes to guidance. Please let me know if new guidance has been released which has stopped or significantly altered the provision of covid-capital bids".

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UJNM) 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 know how many Covid-related capital bids have been approved centrally since March 17 and was hoping you could answer a few questions. I've attached a spread sheet with questions that should make it easy to record each of the bids your trust has submitted. I've included an example in the spread sheet.

To avoid confusion, covid-19 related capital refers to bids submitted in respect of the covid-19 capital expenditure scheme <https://www.england.nhs.uk/coronavirus/wp->

[content/uploads/sites/52/2020/04/COVID-19-capital-reimbursement-process-27-04-20.pdf](#). All other types of capital bids should not be included.

In addition, can you please tell me?

- The total value of your Covid-related capital bids
- The total in funding you've received for Covid-related capital bids.
- How many bids you have made and how many are awaiting central approval.

A1 Please see below and refer to the attached spread sheet that you supplied.

The total value of your Covid-related capital bids	£4,028,109
The total in funding you've received for Covid-related capital bids	£108,460 (this refers to funding received and therefore excludes any bids where equipment has been provided)
How many bids you have made and how many are awaiting central approval	38 bids have been submitted of which 11 are awaiting Central approval (this includes a number of bids that have not yet had Regional approval)

*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.

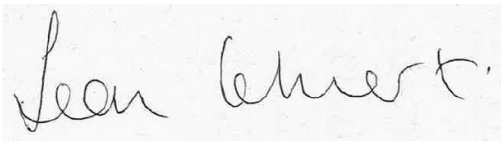
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If following review of the responses I can be of any further assistance please contact my secretary on 01782 671612.

Yours,



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