



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-449

Date: 5th November 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear Sir/ Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 8th October 2024 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Social Value

On 16th October 2024 we contacted you via email on the following:
clarify whether this relates to the award criteria or contract management Key Performance Indicators please?

On 18th October 2024 you replied via email with:
'It relates to the award criteria'

**Q1 I am requesting the following records under the Freedom of Information Act.
This is in relation to the use of social value weighting of 10 per cent in your procurement of goods and services, which has been mandated by government for NHS Trusts and Foundation Trusts since April 2022.**

Please send me:

1. What methods do you use to measure social value from your procurements? Please include any additional measurement methods you use (e.g. TOMs) as well as the NHS Social Value Model.

2. What is the total social value accrued by your procurement activities each year from April 2022, according to how you measure and report this at a corporate level? If possible, can you provide any explanatory notes to explain how you have measured this?

3. Do you use financial proxies to monetise the measurement of social value, such as social local economic value? If so:

1. a. Please specify the method or measure you use to monetise the measurement of social value

1. b. Please provide the total number of contracts to which you applied this financial proxy each financial year since April 2022

1. c. Please provide the total value of those contracts

1. d. Please provide the total monetized social value of those contracts

1. e. Please provide the total value of all contracts let during that same period

4. How much in total have you spent in procurement on local business/organisations, each financial year, since April 2022? Please including your definition of a local business/organisation, if you have one.

5. How much have you spent on SMEs each FY since April 2022? The government defines an SME as a company with fewer than 250 employees, turnover under €50m and balance sheet under €43. If the trust has a different definition then please provide it.

6. How much have you spent on VCSEs each FY since April 2022? Again, please include your definition of a VCSE if you have one.

A1 See below:

Question	Response
<p>1. What methods do you use to measure social value from your procurements? Please include any additional measurement methods you use (e.g. TOMs) as well as the NHS Social Value Model.</p>	<p>In all our tenders we include a minimum of 10% award criteria as part of the evaluation, however the specific criteria used will be dependent upon the type of procurement and is likely to vary between procurements. There is no single theme or method that we use consistently across all, but we would most likely refer to the NHSE guidance 'Applying net zero and social value in the procurement of NHS goods and services' to help identify appropriate themes.</p>
<p>2. What is the total social value accrued by your procurement activities each year from April 2022, according to how you measure and report this at a corporate level? If possible, can you provide any explanatory notes to explain how you have measured this?</p>	<p>We do not have the ability to measure social value within individual contracts.</p>
<p>3. Do you use financial proxies to monetise the measurement of social value, such as social local economic value? If so:</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>a. Please specify the method or measure you use to monetise the measurement of social value</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>b. Please provide the total number of contracts to which you applied this financial proxy each financial year since April 2022</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>
<p>c. Please provide the total value of those</p>	<p>Not applicable</p>

Question	Response
contracts	
d. Please provide the total monetized social value of those contracts	Not applicable
e. Please provide the total value of all contracts let during that same period	Not applicable
4. How much in total have you spent in procurement on local business/organisations, each financial year, since April 2022? Please including your definition of a local business/organisation, if you have one.	The definition of local for UHNM is any organisation with an ST postcode 22/23 £15,412,128 23/24 £12,200,423 24/25 YTD £5,766,678
5. How much have you spent on SMEs each FY since April 2022? The government defines an SME as a company with fewer than 250 employees, turnover under €50m and balance sheet under €43. If the trust has a different definition then please provide it.	This information is not recorded on Trust Purchase to Pay system. The North Midlands and Black Country Procurement Group review % usage of SME's in the local area, according to the above definition detailed in question 4.
6. How much have you spent on VCSEs each FY since April 2022? Again, please include your definition of a VCSE if you have one.	Unknown VSCE are not recorded as VSCE within Trust Purchase to Pay systems

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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.

Yours,



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