



**University Hospitals
of North Midlands**
NHS Trust

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Date: 18th July 2019

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Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 3rd July 2019 (received into our office 4th July) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding hospital food.

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 In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (2000) please may you supply me with information relating to the following three questions?

What is the average cost per day in pound sterling allocated to feed an inpatient with non-exceptional dietary requirements staying in each of your hospitals for the last 5 years? For ‘year’ please use calendar year up to 2019.

For ‘hospitals’ please include sites where patients stay overnight on a ward and please ignore any sites that are self-catering.

A1 Please see below: we are unable to supply calendar year as our systems do not record this information in the requested format- this would therefore require us to extrapolate information from our systems and create a new report to provide this. The FOI Act covers information held by the Trust, and we are not obliged to create new information in order to answer an FOI.

Hospital name	Year	Ave. cost per day to feed an inpatient
County Hospital	2018/19	£14.10
	2017/18	£16.44
	2016/17	£19.38
	2015/16	£12.69
	2015/14	£15.03

Information is not held for the Royal Stoke University Hospital (RSUH) as catering is provided under the private finance initiative (PFI) and is therefore not managed by the Trust.

Q2 Please list the hospital and care sites in your Trust and state whether the catering service is outsourced and if outsourced please give the name of the company or



companies this is currently outsourced to and the date of the outsourcing to this company,

A2 Please see below:

Royal Stoke University Hospital		County Hospital	
Outsourced: YES/NO	Yes	Outsourced: YES/NO	No
Name of company:	Sodexo	Name of company:	In House provision
Year of outsourcing:	2012	Year of outsourcing:	Not applicable

Q3 How many cases of Listeriosis have been traced back to sandwiches that were given to inpatients in your Trust in the last three years?

A3 Please see below:

Year	Cases of Listeriosis
2019	0
2018	0
2017	0

*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.

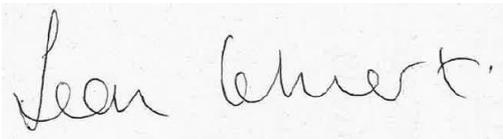
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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via www.ico.org.uk.

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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