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Date: 10<sup>th</sup> December 2020

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 (received into our office 2<sup>nd</sup> December) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding Royal Stoke University Hospital

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHM) 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 am writing to request the following pieces of information about the Royal Stoke University Hospital:**

**The year and date the hospital was opened**

A1 The Royal Stoke site was opened as part of a phased opening; starting in 2009 when the Cancer Centre was opened, with the completion of all moves taking place in 2012.

**Q2 How many staff are currently employed (as of 1 December 2020)**

A2 As at 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 the headcount of fixed and permanent staff employed by the Trust was 11354. We are unable to split this by Hospital site as staff work across both hospitals.

Note: it may be that some starters and leavers during November have not yet been processed and therefore may be excluded from/included in the above figure

**Q3 How many beds are available in the hospital?**

A3 As at 3<sup>rd</sup> December, there are currently 1328 beds at Royal Stoke Hospital.

**Q4 The total operating costs for the hospital in 2019**

A4 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding operating costs for the hospital in 2019, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

<https://www.uhm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/annual-reports-and-accounts/>

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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.

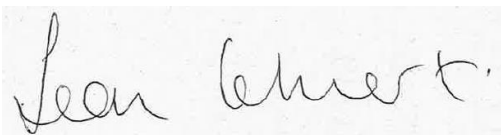
Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and 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](http://www.ico.org.uk).

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

Yours,



Jean Lehnert  
**Data, Security & Protection Manager**