



Ref: FOIA Reference 2022/23-346

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2022

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

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 22nd September 2022 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding pension scheme.

As of 1<sup>st</sup> 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 the years between 2018 to 2022, how many permanent employees voluntarily opted out of the NHS pension scheme?**

A1 2,348 employees opted out of the pension scheme between 2018 and 2022.

**Q2 In the years between 2018 to 2022, how many employees requested to opt into the NHS pension scheme?**

A2 1,356 employees opted into the pension scheme in the period 2018 to 2022 (1,137 through auto enrolment and 219 through manual opt in).

**Q3 In the years between 2018 to 2022, how many people employed on a permanent contract were aged 66 and above?**

A3 Data as at 1 September for each year.

2018		2019		2020		2021		2022	
Row Labels	Count of Employee Number	Row Labels	Count of Employee Number	Row Labels	Count of Employee Number	Row Labels	Count of Employee Number	Row Labels	Count of Employee Number
66-70	88	66-70	87	66-70	88	66-70	99	66-70	101
>=71 Years	32	>=71 Years	32	>=71 Years	37	>=71 Years	38	>=71 Years	41
Grand Total	120	Grand Total	119	Grand Total	125	Grand Total	137	Grand Total	142

\*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](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,



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