



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-820

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> April

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

Dear

I am writing in response to your email dated 29<sup>th</sup> February 2023 (sent to PALs) requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding strikes

On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 we contacted you via email with the following:

To continue with your request we require clarification:

Which strike are you referring to?

Which area of the hospital, as this may alter the response.

What kind of directive are you referring to? From the trust to staff/ NHSE?

On 7<sup>th</sup> March 2024 you replied via email with:

*'My request stated "all" so pausing the request seems a bit unjustified. However; in order to narrow it down a little for you i would like initially to focus on:*

*all junior doctors strikes in 2023*

*all areas of the hospital except outpatients.*

*I would like information supplied to the hospital from NHSE to the hospital as well as any directives from the trust and NHSE to A&E and all wards on how to prepare for the disruption.*

*Could you please add your name to any correspondence, i would like to know who i am talking to!'*

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 Provide all information on the hospitals directives to its staff in preparation for the doctors strikes as I fully believe that this may be relevant.**

A1 See attached; in addition, further information is available from NHSE and the ICB  
See below for contact details:

[england.contactus@nhs.net](mailto:england.contactus@nhs.net)

[Freedom of Information - Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent, Integrated Care Board \(icb.nhs.uk\)](https://www.icb.nhs.uk)

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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).

Yours,



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