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Internal Ref: 240913 Email:

Dear,

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The trust is in receipt of your information request, thank you. Please accept this formal response, which has been given the internal reference quoted above. Please quote this reference number in any correspondence.

Please accept the Trust's sincere apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding this response. At the time of writing the Trust continues to receive high volumes of FOI requests, many of which are complex and time consuming. In this instance, the Trust has not responded within the required 20 days, and for this we apologise.

## <u>Request</u>

You asked us:

This is a Freedom of Information Act request which relates to the Manchester Arena Inquiry and what was recommended for ambulance trusts. The relevant recommendations can be found here on p162 onwards.

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6363d597e90e0705a35f5754/MAI -Vol2-Part li Accessible.pdf

- 1. Did the trust carry out the review mentioned at R105? Please attach a copy of so.
- If you carried out a review, did you make recommendation to your commissioners about the resources needed to implement this (R106)? Please attach any reports etc sent to commissioners asking for this to be considered. Please attach any reports/emails detailing the cost of this – both capital and ongoing revenue.
- 3. Has this additional cost been agreed by the commissioners? Please attach any documents confirming this.
- 4. Please attach any report/review done as result of R105 your capacity to respond to a mass casualty incident.

We have processed your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA)



## <u>Response</u>

The formal Trust response follows. Any separate document provided will be signified.

The Trust confirms it holds part of the information you requested.

The Trust undertook a review as recommended by the Manchester Arena Inquiry (MAI). Referencing the review, SECAmb did make a recommendation to the commissioning body for our services.

At this time, no formal response has been received from the commissioning body, regarding the report and recommendation submitted.

Due to the sensitive nature of the information it contains, we will not be disclosing the report or other details of the review at present. We consider the report and any related recommendation to be exempt from disclosure under Section 38(1)(b) of the FOIA. That is, that publishing the information in question would be likely to endanger the safety of individuals.

## Next steps

We hope you find the information provided to be of some assistance.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address: FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our response. If you would like us to carry out a review, please let us know within 40 working days. This will be conducted by someone who was not involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer.

Should you remain dissatisfied following our internal review, you can complain to the <u>Information Commissioner's Office</u> (ICO). You should make complaints to the ICO within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: <u>www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints</u>.

The ICO's postal address is: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Coordinator South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust



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