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Date: 30th August 2024

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Dear

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I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 231014. Firstly, please accept my sincere apologies for the delay and inconvenience you have experienced regarding this request. In this instance, the Trust has not responded to your request within the required 20 days, and for this I apologise.

You requested the following information, please also see our response on the attached spreadsheet:

I'd like to request information for this financial year (2023/24) for South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust.

I'm requesting this information under the Freedom of Information Act because I couldn't find it in your relevant Integrated Care Board's (ICB) published papers.

We had sent FOI requests to the relevant ICBs but were told we would need to send FOI requests to NHS trusts.

My request is as follows:

- Firstly, please could you tell me the NHS agency/locum spending cap/ceiling agreed at the start of this financial year.
- Secondly, please could you send me the following data from the financial plans submitted at the start of the year, giving the planned positions for each month from M1 to M12:
- 1. Trust financial position (revenue expenditure)
 - a. Planned surplus/deficit
 - a. Planned expenditure
- 2. Workforce expenditure
 - a. Planned agency/locum spend
 - a. Planned bank spend
 - a. Planned total staff expenditure
- 3. Efficiency savings
 - a. Planned efficiency savings

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Chair: Usman Awais Khan; CEO: Simon Weldon

- Finally, please could you send me the following data for each month of this financial year to date:
- 1. Trust financial position
 - a. Actual surplus/deficit, and forecast outturn for M12
 - a. Actual expenditure, and forecast outturn for M12
- 2. Workforce expenditure
 - a. Actual agency/locum spend, and forecast outturn for M12
 - b. Actual bank spend, and forecast outturn for M12
 - c. Actual spend relating to industrial action, and forecast outturn for M12
 - a. Actual total staff expenditure, and forecast outturn for M12
- 3. Efficiency savings
 - a. Achieved efficiency savings, and forecast outturn for M12
- 4. Prescribing costs a. Actual spend relating to prescribing, and forecast outturn for M12

Please see attached spreadsheet.

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

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