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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 240139.

You requested the following information, please see our response below:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

Please provide your total spend on communications and public relations for the last three financial year's (20/21,21/22,22/23). For each year I would like a breakdown containing the following information:

- Spend on communications and public relations activities.**

The Trust's total spend on communications and public relations activities for the last three financial years was:

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
£358,821	£404,134	£414,427

- Total number of communications and public relations employees.**

The total number of communications and public relations employees for the last three financial years was:

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23*
6	6	6

Note: During 2022/23 the number of employees reduced to 5, 6 was the total number employed at any one point during the year.

- Total salary cost for all communications and public relations employees**

The total salary cost for all communications & public relations employees for the past three financial years was:

2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
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£344,062	£346,369	£314,741
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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
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