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Email:

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Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI/18/06/23.

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

Please can you advise what consultation has taken place between the Organisers of Velo South (due to take place on 23rd September 2018) and SECAMB.

The company which have organised Velo South have had several Safety Advisory Group meetings with South East Coast Ambulance Service.

Please advise how the public will receive a response to 999 calls on that day in an area that is already under served by;

- ambulance stations (having had multiple closures during recent years)
- hospitals (there are no A&E departments within the 'full loop' road closure)
- GPs (noting this event is on a Sunday, only mobile Out of Hours doctors will be available, and likely in short supply given the scale of the event and it's impact on emergency services).

Normal Service Provision

Please also advise how this will be resourced and the cost impact on SECAMB for an area that will effectively be isolated by a 'full loop' of road closures, impacting surrounding traffic and making travel times for emergency vehicle response greater than they already are.

The road closures are of a rolling type, based on sections, so the entire route will not be closed at once and emergency access will be maintained throughout. However, the event medical company will be supporting South East Coast Ambulance Service in making a first attendance to any areas needed to mitigate any delays

Please disclose any financial sum(s) received, agreed or due from the organisers of Velo South.

Nothing agreed at this time

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, Information Governance Lead via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

Freedom of Information Coordinator
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