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Dear

### Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

#### **Requested information:**

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information regarding supported living services for adults (aged 18-64) with a **primary support need of learning disabilities (LD)**. Please also **include data for adults (aged 18-64) with Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)** where information is captured for this cohort or where this is recorded as a primary support need.

*Supported living may also be called Supported accommodation or Supported housing and is a housing scheme where housing, support and care services are provided to help people with disabilities live as independently as possible in the community. Providers of supported living will be registered with the CQC to deliver personal care to service users.*

*Long term care is provided to clients on an ongoing basis and varies from high intensity provision such as nursing care, to lower intensity support in the community such as the provision of direct payments to arrange regular home care visits.*

*Please provide answers on the attached and accompanying spreadsheet.*

1. Please supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for placements in supported living
2. Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD) or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) funded by the Council and receiving long-term care in supported living settings. *Please provide data for the financial years 2022/23, 2023/24 and where possible projected figures for 2024/25*
  - a. How many are placed in area (i.e. within the Council boundary)?
  - b. How many are placed out of area (i.e. outside the Council boundary)?
3. Please provide a list of providers of supported living services used by the council to place adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD receiving long-term care. To clarify, this does not include sole providers of accommodation, such as Housing Associations; only care providers registered to deliver personal care and is only those providers registered as a care agency with the inspectorate.  
Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not the last financial year 2023/24 – please state which timescale has been used for the data provided.
  - a. Please provide, for each provider, the number of adults aged 18-64 with LD or ASD funded by the Council in long-term supported living placements

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Chief Executive: Dr Buki Adeyemo

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- b. Please provide total expenditure with each provider related to long-term placements in supported living for adults aged 18-64 with LD or ASD
4. Please provide the average weekly fee the Council pays to providers of long-term care in supported living settings for adults (aged 18-64) with LD or ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2023/24
5. Please provide the number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD in supported living with fees per week of:
  - a. Less than £500
  - b. £500 to £749
  - c. £750 to £999
  - d. £1,000 to £1,249
  - e. £1,250 to £1,499
  - f. £1,500 to £1,999
  - g. £2,000 to £2,499
  - h. £2,500 or more
6. Please provide the (a) highest (b) lowest and (c) average hourly rate the Council pays to providers of supported living service for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the latest financial year 2023/24
  - a. Highest
  - b. Lowest
  - c. Average

**Please see Appendix 1 attached.**

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



**Nicola Griffiths**  
**Deputy Director of Governance**

ICB/Health Board:  
Date:

**Staffordshire and Stoke on Trent**  
**24th October 2024**

1. Please could you supply the name, email address and telephone number of the commissioner with responsibility for placements in supported living.	Staff names and email addresses are exempt as they constitute personal data and would contravene the principles of the Data Protection Act 2018 (in accordance with qualified exemption S40 (2)(a) of the FOI Act).			

	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25 (projected)
2. Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of learning disabilities (LD) or Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) funded by the ICB/Health Board and receiving long-term care in supported living settings.	Total of 4 people were discharged during the financial period April 2022 to March 2023. Figures do not include those previously discharged into supported living settings but who may continue to be in supported living placements.	Total of 7 people were discharged during the financial period April 2023 to March 2024. Figures do not include those previously discharged into supported living settings but who may continue to be in supported living placements.	Total number of people projected to be discharged into supported living settings for the financial period April 2024 to March 2025 will be 9 all of which will be in area.
a. How many are placed in area (i.e. within the ICB/Health Board boundary)?	4	7	9
b. How many are placed out of area (i.e. outside the ICB/Health Board boundary)?	0	0	0

3. Please provide a list of providers of supported living services used by the ICB/Health Board to place adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD receiving long-term care. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2023/24	Provider	(a) Number of service users	(b) Total expenditure
a. Please provide, for each provider, the number of adults aged 18-64 with LD or ASD funded by the ICB/Health Board in long-term supported living placements	ASPIRATIONS CARE LIMITED	10	£267,084
	CARE IN MIND RESIDENTIAL SERVICES	1	£21,061
	COVEBERRY LIMITED	1	£19,410
	DIMENSIONS(UK) LTD	1	£20,340
	ECHO SUPPORTED LIVING SERVICES LTD	2	£61,200
	EDEN FUTURES	1	£21,736
	HADET SOLUTIONS LTD(HADET HEALTHCARE)	3	£68,149
	HALO HOUSING ASSOCIATION LTD	1	£1,179
	WINSLOW COURT LTD	1	£13,564
	LEONARDS CROFT PARKCARE HOUSE	1	£16,541
Add more rows as required			

For the question 3 (above), please state which timescale has been used (e.g. latest month or financial year 2023/24)	In order to obtain the list of providers the purchase ledger from September 2024 was used. As the purchase ledger was used the total expenditure and no. of service users is based on invoices paid in September 2024, not the period invoices relates to. Therefore invoices paid in September may be in relation to a prior period.
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4. Please provide the average weekly fee the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of long-term care in supported living settings for adults (aged 18-64) with LD or ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the last financial year 2023/24	To provide a weekly average cost, the information was obtained from the general ledger and based on expected total costs for the period of September 2024.
£	£5,883.79

5. Please provide the number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD in supported living with fees per week of:	To obtain a weekly cost, the information was obtained from the general ledger and based on expected total costs for the period of September 2024 an average weekly cost was estimated.
a. Less than £500	0
b. £500 to £749	0
c. £750 to £999	1
d. £1,000 to £1,249	1
e. £1,250 to £1,499	0
f. £1,500 to £1,999	1
g. £2,000 to £2,499	1
h. £2,500 or more	45

6. Please provide the (a) highest (b) lowest and (c) average hourly rate the ICB/Health Board pays to providers of supported living service for adults (aged 18-64) with a primary support need of LD or ASD. Please provide data for the latest month (if available); if not, the latest financial year 2023/24.	Providers invoice on a monthly basis and majority based on weekly rate, therefore information on hourly rate is not available.
a. Highest	
b. Lowest	
c. Average	