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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 25 April 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:

If possible, I would like to make an FOI request to obtain the following information via email:

1. The number of registered audits/quality improvement projects/research projects (planned and completed) since October 2020 at your trust - **147**
2. The number of audits/quality improvement projects/research projects that have an environmental/sustainability focus as part of their agenda – **1**
3. A breakdown of the topics that the environmental/sustainability audits/quality improvement projects/research projects focus on - **Quality improvement projects – Storing of team staff personal files electronically**
4. Whether your Trust has a sustainability lead - **Yes**
5. Whether your Trust has a sustainability policy included in clinical governance meetings and junior doctor induction materials. – **The Trust has a Green Strategy and Delivery Plan which informed delivery across all governance.**
6. Does your trust have a sustainability working group/board and how many clinicians are on this? - **The Trust has a NSCHT Sustainability Group which has 6 clinicians representing from across all specialisms within the Trust.**

To elaborate, an environmental or sustainability focus might include audits/research projects involving any of: carbon reduction/decarbonization, emissions, energy efficiency, renewables, environmental impact, the use of single use plastics, food waste, sustainability of care models, waste disposal.

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: Peter Axon, 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

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