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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 4th August 2023. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

1. For the following financial years, 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22, what was the total amount (in £) spent by the Trust on consulting services?
2. Could you provide a list of projects/contracts that have been supported/led by a consultancy business for the financial years 2017-18, 2018-19, 2019-20, 2020-21, and 2021-22, detailing the following information for each:
 - a) The name of the vendor/consulting firm that was awarded the project/contract.
 - b) The nature of the project/contract (choose from 'Strategy', 'Operations', 'Technology', 'Other', or 'Unknown')
 - c) The value of the project/contract?

Please find attached a suggested Excel template to fill in the information.

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

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Questions

	Answer field >> >> >> >>				
	Annual spend on consulting services (£000)	Financial year in which the contract was awarded. Please input the financial year	Vendor that was awarded the project	Value of the contract	Nature of contract
1. For the following years, what was the total spend per year on consulting services?		[Not applicable to question 1]			
i. 2017-18	531				
ii. 2018-19	459				
iii. 2019-20	369				
iii. 2020-21	858				
iii. 2021-22	553				
2. Could you provide a list of projects/contracts that have been supported/led by a consultancy business?		[2017-18 / 2018-19 / 2019-20 / 2020-21 / 2021-22]	[Vendor name]	[contract value £]	[Strategy / Technology / Operations / Other / Unknown]
Project 1	[Not applicable to question 2]	17/18	Cogan Hall	252	Strategy / Technology
Project 2		17/18	Talent international	156	Technology
Project 3		17/18	Meridian	19	Operational
Project 4		17/18	Clickhealth	18	Operational
Project 5		17/18	RSM Uk consulting	14	Strategy
Project 6		17/18	Audley medical svcs	11	Strategy
Project 7		17/18	PSEC	14	Other
Project 8		18/19	Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust	40	Other
Project 9		18/19	CTD architects	19	Operational
Project 10		18/19	Foursight	32	Operational
Project 11		18/19	SKG consultancy	26	Operational
Project 12		18/19	Capita	14	Technology
Project 13		18/19	Schools for health	28	Operational
Project 14		18/19	GVA	59	Operational
Project 15		19/20	Centre for MH	20	Operational
Project 16		19/20	Tandemcomms	41	Operational
Project 17		20/21	Clickhealth BI	72	Operational
Project 18		20/21	Kameleon	44	Operational
Project 19		20/21	NIFES	225	Strategy
Project 20		20/21	CSC	516	Technology
Project 21		20/21	GGI	24	Operational
Project 22		20/21	More to unlock	12	Strategy
Project 23		21/22	Archus	17	Strategy
Project 24		21/22	Softcat	17	Operational
Project 25		21/22			