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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 11th October 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:

- Firstly, please could you tell me the NHS agency/locum spending cap/ceiling agreed at the start of this financial year. **Set at 3.7% of total pay, therefore based on the 23-24 plan = £90,973k x 3.7% = £3,366k**
- Secondly, please could you send me the following data from the financial plans submitted at the start of the year, giving the planned positions for each month from M1 to M12:
 1. Trust financial position (revenue expenditure)
 - a. Planned surplus/deficit.
 - b. Planned expenditure.
 2. Workforce expenditure
 - a. Planned agency/locum spend.
 - b. Planned bank spend.
 - c. Planned total staff expenditure.
 3. Efficiency savings
 - a. Planned efficiency savings.
- Finally, please could you send me the following data for each month of this financial year to date:
 1. Trust financial position
 - a. Actual surplus/deficit and forecast outturn for M12.
 - b. Actual expenditure and forecast outturn for M12.
 2. Workforce expenditure
 - a. Actual agency/locum spend and forecast outturn for M12.
 - b. Actual bank spend, and forecast outturn for M12
 - c. Actual spend relating to industrial action and forecast outturn for M12.
 - d. Actual total staff expenditure and forecast outturn for M12.

3. Efficiency savings
 - a. Achieved efficiency savings and forecast outturn for M12.
4. Prescribing costs.
 - a. Actual spend relating to prescribing and forecast outturn for M12.

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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Question 1

Planned Trust Financial Position

	Plan 30/04/2023	Plan 31/05/2023	Plan 30/06/2023	Plan 31/07/2023	Plan 31/08/2023	Plan 30/09/2023	Plan 31/10/2023	Plan 30/11/2023	Plan 31/12/2023	Plan 31/01/2024	Plan 29/02/2024	Plan 31/03/2024	Plan 31/03/2024 Year Ending
	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	£'000
Planned Surplus/(Deficit)	30	60	25	21	8	(38)	(49)	(27)	(50)	6	7	7	0
Planned Expenditure	(13,358)	(13,279)	(13,311)	(13,267)	(13,260)	(13,305)	(13,297)	(13,275)	(13,276)	(13,223)	(13,201)	(13,199)	(159,251)

Question 2

Planned Workforce Expenditure

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
Planned agency/locum spend	388	368	353	323	323	273	273	260	260	230	225	220	3,496
Planned bank spend	292	268	267	269	276	286	291	296	292	248	284	277	3,346
Planned total staff expenditure	(7,533)	(7,515)	(7,551)	(7,587)	(7,599)	(7,632)	(7,629)	(7,610)	(7,604)	(7,574)	(7,569)	(7,570)	(90,973)

Question 3

Planned Efficiency Savings

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
Total Efficiencies	412	482	450	490	496	453	540	562	602	660	683	698	6528

Question 1 Trust Financial Position

Actual Surplus/Deficit and forecast outturn for M12

Actual Expenditure and Forecast Outturn for M12

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
	28	40	84	4	(1,706)	124	3,729	175	(206)	(488)	(368)	(3,050)	(1,633)
	(13,289)	(13,429)	(13,275)	(13,137)	(14,887)	(12,776)	(13,818)	(13,977)	(14,373)	(14,686)	(14,507)	(14,551)	(166,706)

Actual agency/locum spend and forecast outturn for M12.

Actual bank spend, and forecast outturn for M12

Actual spend relating to industrial action and forecast outturn for M12.

Actual total staff expenditure and forecast outturn for M12

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
	(429)	(377)	(385)	(391)	(457)	(317)	(459)	(469)	(477)	(471)	(465)	(467)	(5,165)
	(424)	(389)	(407)	(345)	(387)	(452)	(380)	(311)	(275)	(265)	(253)	(253)	(4,141)
	(7,318)	0	(5,291)	(13,036)	(10,132)	(6,767)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	(7,441)	(8,011)	(7,460)	(7,376)	(7,773)	(7,445)	(7,927)	(7,938)	(8,142)	(8,236)	(8,267)	(7,836)	(93,851)

Achieved efficiency savings and forecast outturn for M12.

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
	297	297	266	739	554	285	929	621	634	622	635	650	6,528

Actual spend relating to prescribing and forecast outturn for M12.

	Month 1 £'000	Month 2 £'000	Month 3 £'000	Month 4 £'000	Month 5 £'000	Month 6 £'000	Month 7 £'000	Month 8 £'000	Month 9 £'000	Month 10 £'000	Month 11 £'000	Month 12 £'000	Year Ending £'000
	(193)	(156)	(235)	(211)	(238)	(235)	(231)	(229)	(268)	(266)	(239)	(229)	(2,729)