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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 27th May 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

For the years 2023/2024 and 2024/2025:

1. How much did your authority spend on confectionery (including chocolate, crisps, sweets, cakes, etc) and sugar-sweetened beverages (SSBs) for resale to patients, staff, and the public? **The sale of confectionary at our main hospital site, the Harplands is managed by our PFI partners SERCO.**
2. What was the approximate percentage mark up for the items referred to in question 1? **This service is provided by SERCO therefore the Trust is applying Section 43 exemption to the above request 'release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (A person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity)'**
3. How much profit did your authority make from the sale of items referred to in question 1? **This service is provided by SERCO therefore the Trust is applying Section 43 exemption to the above request 'release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (A person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity)'**

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.



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Yours sincerely



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