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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 21st January 2026. 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 2000, would it please be possible for you to provide me with following information:

For each hospital site operated by your trust, please provide the following information. If information is not held at hospital level, please provide it at the closest available level of aggregation.

1. Does the hospital have a fully compliant fire alarm system in operation covering the entirety of this hospital's estate? Please answer Yes/No. **Yes**
2. During the 2024/25 financial year, did the hospital employ or contract a 'waking watch' service at any point? Please answer Yes/No. **No**
 - a. If Yes, how much did the hospital spend on waking watch services during the 2024/25 financial year? **N/A**
 - b. If Yes, what were the primary reasons for having a waking watch service? **N/A**
Please select all which apply:
 - i. Fire alarm system absent, incomplete or not fully operational.
 - ii. External wall system or cladding-related fire safety concerns.
 - iii. Other.

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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