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Dear Requestor

RE: Freedom of Information Request

With reference to your request for information I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we partially hold the information that you have requested. A response to each part of your request is below.

In the request you asked:

1. The number of FOI's (Freedom of Information Requests) received by your organisation in 2020?
NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) was established on the 1 July 2022. Therefore, there were no FOIs received by our organisation (the ICB) during 2020. If you wish to request information regarding FOI activity for any of the predecessor Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs), please submit a further FOI request specifying the particular CCG.
2. The number of FOI's received by your organisation in 2021?
Please see response to question 1.
3. The number of FOI's received by your organisation in 2022?
For the period 1 January to 1 July 2022, please see response to question 1.
For the period 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022, the ICB has received 151 FOI requests.
4. The number of FOI's received by your organisation in 2023 so far? As of 13.07.2023.
For the period 1 January 2023 to 13 July 2023, the ICB has received 229 FOI requests.
5. The number of appeals/internal reviews you have processed at your organisation in 2020?
Please see response to question 1.
6. The number of appeals/internal reviews you have processed at your organisation in 2021?
Please see response to question 1.
7. The number of appeals/internal reviews you have processed at your organisation in 2022?
For the period 1 January to 1 July 2022, please see response to question 1.
For the period 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022, the ICB has had two appeals/internal reviews.
8. The number of appeals/internal reviews you have processed at your organisation in 2023 so far?
As of 13.07.2023.
For the period 1 January 2023 to 13 July 2023, the ICB has had two appeals/internal reviews.

9. In 2020, please provide a breakdown of the exemptions used under Section 12, Section 14, Section 21, Section 22 and Section 43 when responding to FOI's? Please provide the exemption section along with the number of times used.

Please see response to question 1.

10. As per Question 9, for 2021?

Please see response to question 1.

11. As per Question 9, for 2022?

For the period 1 January to 1 July 2022, please see response to question 1.

For the period 1 July 2022 to 31 December 2022, a breakdown for the ICB is provided below:

Exemption	Number of times the exemption has been used
Section 12 – where the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit	1
Section 14 – vexatious requests	0
Section 21 – information accessible to the applicant by other means	6
Section 22 – information intended for future publication	5
Section 43 – commercial interests	3

12. As per Question 9, for 2023 so far? As of 13.07.2023.

For the period 1 January 2023 to 13 July 2023, a breakdown is provided below:

Exemption	Number of times the exemption has been used
Section 12 – where the cost of compliance exceeds the appropriate limit	5
Section 14 – vexatious requests	0
Section 21 – information accessible to the applicant by other means	8
Section 22 – information intended for future publication	0
Section 43 – commercial interests	4

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) have an internal review procedure through which you can raise any concerns you might have. Further details of this procedure can be obtained by contacting Lucy Branson, Associate Director of Governance via lucy.branson@nhs.net or by writing to FOI Team at NHS

Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB, Sir John Robinson House, Sir John Robinson Way, Arnold, Daybrook, Nottingham, NG5 6DA.

If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>

Complaints to the Information Commissioner's Office should be sent to:

FOI/EIR Complaints Resolution, Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Telephone 0303 123 1113 or report a concern via <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

Yours sincerely

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