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Dear Requestor

Re: Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your request for information, received on 27 February 2026, regarding diagnostic and planned care providers. We have processed your request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

Under the FOIA, public authorities are required to respond to requests within 20 working days. In response to your request, the ICB can confirm that it holds information within the scope of your request. However, the ICB is unable to provide the information in full, as to do so would exceed the appropriate cost limit set out in section 12 of the FOIA.

Details of your request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information relating to all providers of diagnostic and planned care services that currently hold an active NHS contract with your Integrated Care Board.

Information Requested

1. Provider(s) Information

- Name of provider(s)

2. Service Information

- Type of service(s) provided
(e.g., Diagnostic MRI, Ultrasound, Endoscopy, Dermatology, Physiotherapy, etc.)

3. Contract Details

- Contract term (start date and end date)
- Contract type (e.g., AQP, Block, Cost-per-case, etc.)

4. Activity Volumes

For the most recent full financial year (please specify which year the data relates to):

- Annual activity for each provider per service they deliver

5. Financial Information

- Annual spend with each provider for each service
- Tariff per activity (or payment structure if non-tariff)

6. Referrer Information

For each service, please provide the commissioned referrer types, such as:

- GP
- Consultant
- Nurse
- Extended Scope Practitioner
(or any other referrer categories used by the ICB)

Our response to your request:

Section 12 (Cost Limit Exemption)

NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (the ICB) holds information relating to providers of diagnostic and planned care services that currently hold an active NHS contract with the ICB. However, the ICB does not hold this information in a single, centrally collated format.

To respond in full to your request would require a manual review of individual contracts and associated activity and finance data to identify, for each provider and service:

- the specific services delivered;
- contract terms and contract type;
- annual activity volumes by service;
- annual spend and payment structure; and
- referrer types.

For the 2025/26 contracting round, the ICB held approximately 52 separate contracts that would fall within the scope of planned care and diagnostic services. To extract and validate the information requested, each contract would need to be reviewed individually and cross-referenced with activity and finance datasets.

At a conservative estimate of 30 minutes per contract, this would equate to approximately 26 hours of officer time, which exceeds the appropriate cost limit of 18 hours (£450) set out in section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004.

The ICB is, therefore, unable to comply with your request in full, and the information is exempt from disclosure under section 12(1) of the Act.

Information provided outside the Act

Notwithstanding the above, and without prejudice to the application of section 12, the ICB is able to provide some information outside the scope of the Freedom of Information Act where it is readily available.

Please note that the attached dataset reflects information held in the format requested and relates only to a subset of providers; it does not represent the full range of providers commissioned by the ICB.

Please find attached an Excel document containing information for two of the ICB's main providers of diagnostic and elective care services:

- Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust; and

- Ramsay Health Care – Woodthorpe Hospital.

The attached information relates to the 2024/25 financial year and includes:

- services delivered;
- contract term and contract type;
- activity volumes; and
- high-level payment information aligned to the NHS Payment System.

This information has been provided on a discretionary basis and should not be taken as an indication that similar information is held or can be extracted within the statutory cost limit for all providers.

Advice and assistance – Section 16

In accordance with section 16 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the ICB is able to offer advice and assistance to help you refine your request so that it may fall within the cost limit. For example, you may wish to consider refining your request to:

- a smaller number of named providers;
- a specific service type (for example, MRI or endoscopy only); or
- high-level contract information only, such as a list of providers and overall contract values, without activity or tariff breakdowns.

If you would like to submit a refined request along these lines, the ICB would be happy to consider it.

If you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Integrated Care Board (ICB) has 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, Director of Corporate Governance and Assurance 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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