

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-02-265

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Dear

#### FOI-02-265

# Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request dated the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2023. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does hold some of the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below:

Please can you provide me with the following information Under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. Whether you use a 'tool' to calculate the funding split for Joint Packages of Care? In this case a tool is defined as a method of apportioning costs between the NHS and Local Authority for individuals who are not eligible for CHC and require a joint package of Care to meet their needs.

For individuals under the learning disability client group who are the responsibility of Staffordshire County Council a joint funding tool is used to calculate the health contribution as a percentage towards the total cost of the care package.

There is no agreement for the use of a joint funding tool for individuals under the learning disability client group who are the responsibility of Stoke-on-Trent City Council, the specific health interventions required to meet an individual's needs are funded by Stoke-on-Trent City Council residents.

### 2. The name of the Tool used?

The tool was named the Staffordshire Funding Tool following a joint review and jointly agreed changes of/to the Hereford Joint Funding Tool, by the Staffordshire Continuing Healthcare Team and Staffordshire County Council.

3. Whether the Tool used has been approved for use by NHS England and where approval has been given a copy of the letter or email giving approval?

The agreement to use the tool was a local agreement between Staffordshire Clinical Commissioning Groups, Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit Staffordshire and Staffordshire County Council.

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4. What Tool (see point 1) ICB partners use? By ICB partners I mean in this case all Local authorities responsible for Adult Social Care covered by the ICB geography.

The Staffordshire Funding Tool is the only tool used within Staffordshire and is a jointly agreed tool.

5. The average percentage that the ICB pays per package of care and the average cost?

The average weekly cost for joint funded packages is £599.54.

6. The total annual cost of joint packages of Care for the years 18/19, 19/20, 20/21, 21/22 and a YTD/forecast outturn for 22/23?

2018/2019: £ 9,062,199 2019/2020: £12,903,218 2020/2021: £14,057,479 2021/2022: £14,781,749

2022/2023: £16,464,327 (forecast for 2022/2023 is as at Month 11).

## Right of Appeal

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within two calendar months from the date this response was issued.

### To request an internal review

You can request an internal review by contacting the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board FOI team by emailing the team at <a href="mailto:StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk">StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk</a> or by post to the address at the top of this letter.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board's FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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