



Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-08-088

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Sent by email

Dear

**FOI FOI-08-088:
Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request dated the 20th August 2022. We can confirm that Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does not hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below / attached:

Please could you tell me whether you implement a ‘same-sex’ personal care policy for your social care service users? Or if you have moved to a ‘gender based’ policy?

The Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board (ICB) does not commission services for individuals who are eligible for social care, this is the responsibility of the Local Authority. The ICB does not have a policy in place.

Does this policy apply to social care users who receive CHC funding provided by you, as well as those who receive council funded social care?

The ICB does not have a policy in place.

Please provide proof of your policy.

The ICB does not have a policy in place.

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 StaffsStokeFOI@staffsstoke.icb.nhs.uk 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 FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely

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