

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-03-288

16th March 2023

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Sent by email

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Dear

FOI-03-288

Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request dated the 9th March 2023. We can confirm that the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Integrated Care Board does hold the information that you have requested. Please see our responses in blue below:

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contract below.

The details we require are:

1. Have you (or the previous CCGs areas) ever/in the last 6 years contracted with an independent provider to provide rheumatology services, including waiting list initiatives?

No

2. Do you have an independent provider on patch for rheumatology services?

No

3. If so, who are the providers and which areas of the ICB do they cover?

Not applicable

4. Which rheumatology services went through procurement and which were a direct award?

Not applicable

5. Actual spend on each contract/framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date and annually Start date & duration of framework/contract/award?

Not applicable

Chair: David Pearson MBE

Interim Chief Executive Officer: Peter Axon

6. Could you please provide a copy of the service/product specification given to all bidders for when this contract was last advertised?

Not applicable

7. Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?

Not applicable

8. Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?

Not applicable

9. Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

Paul Brown
Chief Finance Officer

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's FOI complaints procedure.

The ICO can be contacted at:
Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
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www.ico.gov.uk



**Staffordshire and
Stoke-on-Trent**
Integrated Care Board

Yours sincerely

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