

Our Ref: PW/AKB/FOI-03-272

3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023

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Sent by email

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Dear

**FOI-03-272**

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

Thank you for your request dated the 1<sup>st</sup> 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 community MSK services?**
- 2. Do you have a separate community provider on patch for musculoskeletal services?**
- 3. If so, who are the providers and which areas of the ICB do they cover?**

Community MSK services are provided by Midlands Partnership NHS Foundation Trust (MPFT) across the whole of the ICB footprint.

- 4. Which MSK services went through procurement, and which were a direct award?**

No MSK services have been procured nor direct awarded in the last six years – the services have always been provided by an NHS Trust.

- 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?**

The MPFT is a block contract for a range of services. It is therefore not possible to indicate a value for MSK in isolation. As with all NHS contracts they end on the 31<sup>st</sup> March each year.

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, see above.

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?**

The Chief Finance Officer of the ICB has responsibility for all ICB contracts.

### **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](mailto: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  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)



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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Paul Winter'.

**Paul Winter**  
**Associate Director of Corporate Governance**