

Public Interest Test

Request for FOI-11-624	
FOIA Exemption S.22 – Information intended for future publication.	
<i>Factors supporting disclosure</i>	<i>Factors supporting non-disclosure</i>
<p>There are limited public interest arguments in favour of disclosure of this information at the present time.</p>	<p>While disclosure could for example improve transparency in the operations of the ICB, those are felt better / best served once the specification is contracted into the main Midlands Partnership University NHS Foundation 2024/2025 contract. So there are greater public interest arguments <u>against</u> disclosure of this information at the present time. These arguments include that it is in the public interest to adhere to the existing publication process for official plans, usually performed for public transparency at Board meetings held in public. Which includes time for the information and data to be fully considered and officially approved, thereby properly verified by the key decision-makers (in view of the public) before being placed in the public domain.</p> <p>It is also in the public interest to ensure that the detailed planning information is available to all members of the public at the same time, and premature publication could undermine the principle of making the information available to all at the same time through the ICB's official publication process.</p> <p>On this occasion, we have concluded therefore that the balance of the public interest test falls in favour of withholding this information until the contract</p>

	<p>2024/205 has been finalised / approved for disclosure.</p> <p>Further guidance can be found at: (Section 22)</p> <p>Guide to freedom of information ICO</p>
<p>Conclusion: there are compelling arguments which support withholding the information which outweigh those supporting release.</p> <p>PIT Members:</p> <p>Nicola Bromage, Associate Director, Mental Health, Learning Disability and Autism and Children and Young People Simon Runnett, CYP Service Improvement Lead Andrea Brown, Governance Officer</p> <p>Date of Public Interest Test: 29th November 2023</p>	