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Dear

**FOI-02-271**

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

We are in receipt of your email dated the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023. We are sorry you do not feel we have answered the question in our letter of the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

For clarity, we would advise that the Burntwood Health and Wellbeing Centre was opened in 2009 as a temporary measure, as mentioned in our previous letter. There are no additional measures that we can take to extend this as a doctor's surgery as it is not an option within the existing contract.

Extending the contract with the existing provider is not an option due to the fact that extending any contract beyond a previously agreed end date could be considered a material change to the terms of that contract. This could then lead to a procurement challenge from alternative providers, which would mean we would have to go out to do a full tendering exercise.

Carrying out a full procurement exercise is not justified in this case due to the short nature for which the contract would be awarded as the Health Centre is only a temporary measure and this would only add further disruption for patients if they were once again registered with a temporary provider.

**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.

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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  
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Water Lane  
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Yours sincerely

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