

Freedom of Information Request: 2769 2022/23

1. Please provide a spread sheet of all trust spend over 25K since 2018 to the present.

Please include in this the 2018 financial transparency data that the trust was ordered to release by the ICO in 2019 (ICO case reference FS50810179).

The data requested on that occasion was as follows:

'I'm making a request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) for information on all transactions over £25,000 from April 2014 to August 2018 for University Hospitals Birmingham NHS Foundation Trust. Please provide:

- a) the date of transaction***
- b) the value of transaction***
- c) the recipient***
- d) category of the transaction (As a minimum)"***

Please see attached

2. Please disclose which trust director(s) was (were) responsible for the decision to stop publishing trust spend over £25K after 2017

The decision was made collectively at Executive Director level, for the reasons set out in response to questions 3 and 4 below.

3. Please disclose if the reasons for this decision were recorded and

4. Please disclose any recorded reasons for the decision to stop publishing spending transparency data

We do not hold this information, as the decision referred to above was not formally recorded.

However, please see attached 2019 submission to the Information Commissioner made in 2019 which effectively sets out the Trust's reasons for not publishing spending transparency data. Please note that we accepted the ICO's subsequent decision. In reaching that decision, the ICO accepted that s31(1)(a) FOIA (detection and prevention of fraud) was engaged. The Commissioner acknowledged that the information sought would be useful to fraudsters and that disclosure of such information would constitute a real and significant risk of prejudice to the prevention or detection of bank mandate fraud. However, the Commissioner was not satisfied that the public interest in disclosure was outweighed by the interest to prevent potential fraud.