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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

Can you please advise how much the East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust received of the fund raised by Major Sir Tom Moore and how this has been distributed amongst staff and how much of the allocation remains unspent.

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust has received a total of £ 244,500 from the funds raised by Major Sir Tom Moore. This was received in five tranches, with the latest instalment of £60,000 being received on 29 January 2021.

The funds are being used to provide various staff and patient amenities:

£43k was spent on equipment to support staff welfare, such as microwaves, coffee machines, tables and chairs to equip new or repurposed staff rest areas.

£21k was spent on services to support staff emotional well-being and to document staff experiences during the pandemic to inform future support, and on thank you gifts.

£9k was spent on equipment to support patient welfare, such as chairs and medical equipment, and a 5 year photo-symbol subscription to make easy-to-read information for people with learning disabilities.

Funds remaining on hand total approximately £172k. Of the remaining funds, the Trust plans:

£12k is to be spent in a similar manner as expenditure above.

£50k is to be spent on developing outside spaces for staff to have lunch, take breaks, etc.

£50k to be spent on the development of an app for deaf users.

£10k to be spent on a project to promote sunflower lanyards.

£50k is to be spent on introducing TRiM to the organisation. This is a trauma-focused peer support system designed to help people who have experienced a traumatic, or potentially traumatic, event.

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If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to Lynette Wells, Director of Corporate Affairs, East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (lynette.wells2@nhs.net) quoting the above reference.

Yours faithfully

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