

FOI REF: 21/161

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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:

Regarding how Covid-19 has affected your health visiting teams for East Sussex County Council since September 2020:

Please note that we are East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and therefore our response relates to this Trust and not East Sussex County Council.

1. **Have you redeployed any health visiting staff between 1st September and 31st March?**

None.

2. **If Q1 is yes, what was the start date of redeployment? (The date on which the first staff member left their post for redeployment between 1st September and 31st March.) Please indicate in your response if redeployment was ongoing from before September.**

Not applicable.

3. **If Q1 is yes, what was the end date of redeployment? (The date on which the last staff member returned to their post from redeployment between 1st September and 31st March.)**

Not applicable.

4. **If Q1 is yes, what was the maximum number of full time equivalent (FTE) health visitors (both with and without caseload) that were redeployed because of COVID-19 between:**

a. **1st September and 7th October^[1] 2020?**

b. **8th October and 31st December 2020?**

c. **1st January and 31st March 2021?**

Not applicable.

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5. If Q1 is yes, what was the maximum number of FTE clinical staff working in health visiting teams (who are NOT coded as health visitors) (both with and without caseload) that were redeployed because of COVID-19 between:
- 1st September and 7th October 2020?
 - 8th October and 31st December 2020?
 - 1st January and 31st March 2021?

Not applicable.

Regarding your health visiting teams for East Sussex County Council on the 1st February 2021:

Please note that we are East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and therefore our response relates to this Trust and not East Sussex County Council.

6. How many FTE health visitors were employed in your health visiting teams? (Both with and without caseload). Please provide this information broken down by NHS pay band.

Please see the table below for the number of FTE Health Visitors employed by East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and note that all hold caseload.

		Total
B6	Health Visitor	72.60
B7 PE	HV Practice Educator	4.96

7. How many FTE health visitors with caseload were employed in your health visiting teams? Please provide this information broken down by NHS pay band.

Please see the table above.

8. How many FTE clinical staff (who are NOT coded as health visitors) were employed in your health visiting teams? (Both with and without caseload). Please provide this information broken down by NHS pay band.

		Total
B4	CNN	35.37
B5	Staff Nurse	6.40
B7 LM	Locality Manager	10.20

9. How many FTE clinical staff (who are NOT coded as health visitors) with caseload were employed in your health visiting teams? Please provide this information broken down by NHS pay band.

None.

10. What was the total number of children under 5 years of age that your health visiting teams were responsible for?

As of 1st April, the Trust's health visiting teams are responsible for 21,976 children under the age of 5.

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 sincerely

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