

FOI REF: 23/739

9th January 2024

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:

1) What geographic area are you in?

East Sussex.

2) Are you connected to any other trusts, and if so, how?

Clarification was sought with regard to what is meant by ‘Are you connected to any other trusts, and if so, how’ and confirmation was received that you would like to know if we are part of an ICS or connected to any other hospitals? Our response is as follows:

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust is an NHS provider partner in the Sussex Health and Care Integrated Care System (ICS), which is made up of health and care organisations across Sussex.

3) What is your current financial strength - green, yellow, red, etc?

I can confirm that we hold the information requested above. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain and can be accessed by the following link:

[10-October-2023-Trust-Board-meeting-in-public.pdf \(esht.nhs.uk\)](#)

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

- 4) Please can you confirm the names/job titles of your executive team? i.e CIO, deputy CIOs, CCIO, CNIO, etc.

Chief Executive Officer	Joe Chadwick-Bell
Chief People Officer	Steve Aumayer
Chief of Staff	Richard Milner
Chief Financial Officer	Damian Reid
Chief Nursing Officer	Vicky Carruth
Chief Operating Officer	Charlotte O'Brien
Director of Estates & Facilities	Chris Hodgson
Director of Transformation, Strategy & Improvement	Simon Dowse

- 5) Do you share your domain with any other trust or plan to in the foreseeable future?

Currently we have a shared domain but plan to move away from this to our own domain in the future.

- 6) Which Electronic Health Record EHR supplier are you currently using and for how long has it been established?

Nervecentre – implementation of modules began in 2019.

- 7) Are you considering switching within the next 3 years?

The Trust is currently preparing for tender process for a full EPR.

- 8) Do you currently have an EHR partner if you are thinking of procuring a new system?

Not applicable.

- 9) a) Does your trust have an ED department?

Yes

- b) If so, what is the bed count?

Clarification was sought with regard to your definition of 'bed count'? Is this the total number of general and acute beds available at each ED site or the number of trolleys in ED? and confirmation was received that you require the total number of beds available at each ED site. Our response is below.

Hospital	G&A Beds Available	Adult Critical Care Beds Available	Neonatal Intensive Care Beds Available
Conquest Hospital	389	11	12
Eastbourne District General Hospital	355	8	0

10) Does your trust have maternity services?

Yes

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, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office
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Yours sincerely

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