

FOI REF: 24/620

25th September 2024

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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:

I have pulled the three Business Plan trajectories together into one spreadsheet, copy attached, and would request that the actuals for the individual months of April, May June and July be provided.

In response to actuals for April May & June

Section 17 – Notice of Refusal

Section 21 – East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT) 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 via the following link:

ESHT holds regular board meetings in public, for which the agenda papers are made available on the ESHT public website. Link to website provided below:

[Trust Board meetings and agenda papers \(esht.nhs.uk\)](http://www.esht.nhs.uk)

The board meetings include regular updates on the performance of ESHT

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

Section 16 _ Advice and Guidance

We have provided some specific guidance for you to locate the information you have requested

The Forecast Trajectories referenced in this FOI may be found in:

The August Board Meeting in Public on pages

[13-August-2024-Trust-Board-meeting-in-public.pdf \(esht.nhs.uk\)](http://www.esht.nhs.uk)

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The actual results requested by this FOI can be found in the Integrated Quality & Performance Report (IPR).

For example, April 2024 (FY 2024-25 M1) actuals were published in the June Board Meeting in Public

[11-June-2024-Trust-Board-meeting-in-public.pdf \(esht.nhs.uk\)](#)

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For example, The M1 Finance Income and Expenditure Actuals are on slide 52, which shows both in month and YTD Figures.

The M3 Finance Actuals were published at the August Board Meeting in Public

[13-August-2024-Trust-Board-meeting-in-public.pdf \(esht.nhs.uk\)](#)

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The M3 Finance Actuals are on slide 86, which shows M3 in month and M3 YTD Figures.

Together these two slides provide M1 actuals, M3 actuals, and M3 YTD actuals. M2 actuals may be simply calculated from this information.

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[Future Month Board Meetings in public.](#)

Future month Board meetings in public will have IPRs that include July 2024 (FY 2024-25 M5) actuals, from which the FOI Requestor will be able to track M5 and future months performance.

In response to actuals for July

Section 22 – ESHT are applying a Section 22 exemption to this part of your request, as the data is intended for publication at a future date.

In applying the exemption consideration has been given to the public interest in enabling scrutiny of public sector decision making and the general public interest in accountability and transparency.

In this instance, we consider that the public interest in withholding the information is greater than the public interest in disclosing the information

Section 16 _ Advice and Guidance – The information would be published shortly after the next meetings Tuesday 8th October 2024 & Tuesday 10th December 2024

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:

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Yours sincerely

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