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Further to your recent request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, I now set out our answers to your specific questions, and any clarifications sought and provided, as follows:

- 1. Please can you let me know how many WTE within your trust in your team deal with FOI requests? for example - 1 WTE Band 4/5 Freedom of Information Officer.**

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (ESHT) has a dedicated Freedom of Information (FOI) team to oversee the processing of requests made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The FOI Team is made up of the following posts:

0.8 WTE Band 4 Senior Freedom of Information Administrator  
1.2 WTE Band 3 Corporate Governance Assistants

- 2. What is their Band?**

Please refer to our response to question 1 above.

- 3. Do they work remotely from home or Hybrid role?**

The FOI Team at ESHT works a hybrid model with a mix of on-site and working from home arrangements.

- 4. Any open vacancies/post within your Governance Team?**

Any vacancies in the Governance Team at ESHT, either within the Corporate Governance Team or Governance roles within clinical divisions, are in the public domain. These vacancies are advertised on the ESHT website and NHS Jobs website as follows:

ESHT website: [www.esht.nhs.uk/working-for-us/vacancies/](http://www.esht.nhs.uk/working-for-us/vacancies/)

NHS Jobs website: [www.jobs.nhs.uk/candidate/search](http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/candidate/search)

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I trust this information is helpful in its detail or explanation however, if you are dissatisfied with the response, then you have the right to request an internal review. If you wish to seek an internal review, please write to the Freedom of Information Team at [esh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net) quoting the above FOI reference number, within 40 working days. Please note the Trust is not obliged to accept a request for an internal review after this time period.

Yours faithfully

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Core Hours of Business: Monday to Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm