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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:

Gastric and Gastro-oesophageal Junction (GOJ) Adenocarcinoma – Data Request (Last 12 Months):

- 1) How many patients have been diagnosed with locally advanced unresectable or metastatic gastric adenocarcinoma in your Trust in the last 12 months?

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- 2) How many patients have been diagnosed with locally advanced unresectable or metastatic gastroesophageal junction (GOJ) adenocarcinoma in your Trust in the last 12 months?

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- 3) Of the patients from Questions 1 and 2 (locally advanced unresectable or metastatic gastric or gastro-oesophageal junction adenocarcinoma), how many have been treated with each of the following regimens in your Trust?

a)	Zolbetuximab + chemotherapy	0
b)	Pembrolizumab + chemotherapy	4
c)	Nivolumab + chemotherapy	1
d)	Paclitaxel + ramucirumab	0
e)	Other chemotherapy (including but not limited to FLOT, FOLFOX, CAPOX, ECX, FOLFIRI)	25

Please note that the responses to Q3 will not necessarily be a subset of the answers to Q1 and Q2; this is because patients diagnosed in the Trust may not be treated within East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust and patients diagnosed elsewhere may be treated here.

- f) **Best supportive care.**

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust does not centrally record patients receiving 'Best Supportive Care'. To enable the Trust to establish and provide this information will require a manual review of patients' notes to establish if we hold

this information, and discussing each patient with individual clinicians, which we estimate would take in excess of 18 hours. We are therefore applying Section 12(1) to this part of your request.

Section 12(1) of the Act allows a public authority to refuse to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of compliance would exceed the 'appropriate limit', as defined by the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 (the Regulations). These state that this cost limit is £450 for public authorities which are not part of central government or the armed forces. The costs are calculated at £25 per hour per person regardless of the rate of pay, which means that the limit will be exceeded if the work involved would exceed 18 hours. The Trust estimates that the cost of complying with this request would significantly exceed the above limit.

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 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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