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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

1. A breakdown of the trust or foundation trust's plans for spending its declared surplus for 2006-07 and 2007-08, where there was one, with details of any actual spending of the surplus to date.

The Trust reported surplus in 2006/07 was £2,633k of which £2,027k was profit from the sale of Billinge hospital site. The cash resource from this performance is being utilised for future capital expenditure.

The Trusts reported surplus in 2007/08 was £2,235k of which £1,454k was interest earned from short term cash balances primarily driven by the previous years sale receipt. This is being used also to support future years capital expenditure

2. Details of any land or buildings which have been divested by the trust or foundation trust (FT) since 2004. For each please specify the value at transfer of the land or buildings, and the value of the trust or FT's whole estate prior to the transfer. Please state each value on a like-for-like basis such that it is possible to describe the divested asset as a percentage of the total estate.

The Trust sold the former Billinge hospital site in 2006/07 which had a NBV of £19m compared to an overall fixed asset base of £165m, 11.5%

I trust that this information answers your original request, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact my colleague Lorraine Hesketh, Communications Manager on 01942 822159. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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