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NHS Foundation Trust

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Response Due: 17th December 2021

Date: 10th December 2021

Dear Sir/Madam

You asked:

This request relates to TM44 Environmental Legislation, specifically Air Conditioning Inspection Reporting, which is mandatory for hospital buildings which are air conditioned above a statutory minimum size. Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government track offenders through their database.

1. How many buildings do you occupy which have air conditioning? Provide building names.

At Royal Albert Edward Infirmary, we have the following buildings which have air conditioning.

- Medical Education Centre
- Medical Records
- Trust HQ
- Pharmacy
- Estates Department

At Wrightington Hospital, we have the following buildings which have air conditioning.

- Block 61/62/75
- Administration Block (22)

At Leigh Infirmary, we have the following buildings which have air conditioning.

- The Avenue Surgery
- Hanover Diagnostic Centre

- 2. Who is the responsible person for ensuring that your buildings are legally compliant on the TM44 mandatory environmental requirement? Provide the name, position, address, email address and direct telephone number of the responsible person.**

Marcus Summers – Head of Operational Estates

The Trust does not routinely give out email addresses and direct telephone numbers of staff members, as large numbers of unsolicited emails/telephone calls, could cause disruption by blocking email accounts/telephone lines thus preventing true work-related emails/calls from being delivered. However, any of the above staff can be contacted via main switchboard on 01942 244000.

- 3. All reports are mandatorily lodged on the MHCLG database. No reports are currently lodged or are out of date, you are therefore non-compliant. Has your Trust Board been made aware of this breach?**

We will investigate this and advise the organisation accordingly via our Governance process.

- 4. Air Conditioning and Air Handling systems may cause increased risk of Covid-19 spread, have you included this risk in recent Risk Assessments?**

The Trust has risk assessed the provision of air conditioning systems and ventilation systems in relation to Covid-19.

- 5. Provide the name and email address of each Trust Board Member.**

Refusal Notice for question(s) 5 - The information that you have requested is exempt under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act because this information is easily accessible by some other means. Please copy and paste the link below into your browser bar to access the information you require:

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- 6. If you use a Facilities Management Company to manage compliance, who are they? N/A**

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. 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.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ian Boyle', with a stylized, cursive script.

Ian Boyle
Chief Finance Officer

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