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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.

You asked:

*This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.*

*It is regarding the '7-Day NHS', or weekend working, by hospital consultants - and the effects on your Trust.*

- 1. How many extra consultants, if any, do you need to recruit to introduce 7-day working? Please specify numbers per specialty. If any of your specialties already work across 7 days, please specify.*
- 2. What is the calculated extra cost in bringing in 7-day working for your Trust?*

Please see below for the additional staff needed.

This Trust has invested over the last 2 years in additional staff to extend to 7 day services where deemed appropriate. This resulted in a total increase of 9.17wte Consultants for A&E, Acute Medicine and Surgery plus other support staff including radiology, therapies. This has facilitated extended hours of consultant and support staff presence in the Hospital previously covered by on- call.

The total additional staff cost investment was £2.1m

STAFF GRADE	WTE
A&E Consultants	3.00
Acute Medicine Consultants	3.00
Anaesthetic Consultants	1.51
General Surgery Consultants	1.66

I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. If we do not hear from you within

Chairman: Robert Armstrong

Chief Executive: Andrew Foster CBE

28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



**Rob Forster**  
Acting Chief Executive

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