

NHS Foundation Trust

Information Governance Department

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Date Received: 13th February 2025

Response Due: 13th March 2025

Date: 12th March 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 13th February 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

I would be most grateful if you could provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, with annual accounts (also referred to as "annual financial accounts", "audited accounts", or "accounts for each financial year") that have not been published on your Trust's website.

Specifically, I am requesting all unpublished account from 2001 onwards or, if the Trust and all its predecessor organisations were established later, from inception.

Please note that I'm requesting the annual accounts for your trust and it's "predecessor organisations", understood as:

- 1. Your Trust before it became a foundation trust.
- 2. Any trusts that were dissolved and subsequently acquired by your Trust.
- 3. Any trusts that merged to form the current Trust.

Finally, please note that I am requesting the full set of accounts, not the "summary financial statement" that is often included with older annual reports.

The Trust does not hold any annual accounts locally, all our reports are on the Trust website dating back to 2008. This is in line with the minimum six-year retention period

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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Tabitha Gardner Chief Finance Officer

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111