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Date Received: 17th November 2025Response Due: 15th December 2025Date: 5th December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 17th November 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:

Please consider this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and answer the following questions below:

1. The trust's 2025-26 cost improvement programme (CIP) performance, broken down by category and scheme.

For each scheme, please provide the following:

- a) A breakdown of all the schemes identified
- b) Which schemes have been implemented (at the time of this FOI being submitted)
- c) What the trust is doing to achieve the savings in each scheme.

Please provide a few detailed sentences or paragraphs to explain.

Please see the table below.

Theme	In Progress	25/26 Forecast	What the Trust is doing to achieve savings
A&E SDEC	✓	£133,366	System wide Transformation Programmes focused on streamlining pathways.
Commercial Opportunities	✓	£503,078	Development and expansion of a range of commercial opportunities including use of Wrightington Bio skills lab and private patients (predominantly in assisted conception and T&O).

Corporate Services	✓	£4,807,906	Review of all Corporate budgets and staffing structures to identify opportunities as per GM Productivity pack/Corporate Benchmarking.
Elective Productivity	✓	£528,849	Efficiencies through Elective Productivity workstream e.g. Outpatient Clinic Utilisation and reduction in DNA's
Medicines	✓	£1,049,669	Efficiencies through product switches and price savings on Drugs inc. Gainshare
NEL LOS	✓	£2,681,462	System wide Transformation Programmes focused on streamlining pathways.
Non-Recurrent	✓	£13,712,328	Non recurrent savings predominantly achieved through vacancies and underspends
Service Reviews	✓	£12,827,360	Specialty level reviews across all clinical specialties to identify pay/non pay opportunities supported by Trust wide Transformation Programmes.
Temporary Staffing	✓	£2,155,984	Trust wide reduction in use of agency and bank aligned with NHSE guidance.
Grand Total		£38,400,002	

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,



Tabitha Gardner
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