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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 FOI Act.

You asked:

1. *What was the total cost of maintaining the hydrotherapy pools in your NHS trust between October 2016 and October 2017 and how many pools do you have? [Can you specify which hospitals these are at?*

We have one hydrotherapy pool at Wrightington Hospital and the cost of maintenance is £4216.00 P/A and chemical cost £401.00 P/A

2. *If possible, can I also have a breakdown of the maintenance cost per pool during the same time period?*

Please see answer to question 1.

3. *If this total cost includes staff costs could you give the total amount relating to staff costs separately for this period?*

Weekly checks are undertaken by WWL staff as part of their wider duties.

4. *How much revenue did you raise between October 2016 and October 2017 from charging people to use the hydrotherapy pools in the hospitals within your NHS trust?*

We don't currently charge for use of the Trusts hydrotherapy Pool so there is nil revenue raised.

5. *Have any hydrotherapy pools been closed down in your NHS trust in the time period October 2014- October 2017? If yes, which hospitals had their hydrotherapy pools closed down?*

Yes on two occasions at Wrightington Hospital.

6. *What were the reasons for the hydrotherapy pool closures at hospitals within your NHS trust?*

Pump Failure and high TVC count.

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,



Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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