

For the Record – Press Statement

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Headline	Waste container is stolen from hospital
Paragraph/s relating to The Dudley Group	<p>A metal waste container was stolen from Russells Hall Hospital, prompting a police investigation.</p> <p>The container held mixed paper waste for recycling and did not have medical records inside, bosses at the Dudley hospital have said.</p>
Press enquiry	<p>The Express & Star has been told that a container of confidential records was stolen from Russells Hall Hospital around two weeks earlier.</p> <p>They have asked the Trust for a comment.</p>
Trust response	
<p>COMMENT FROM DIANE WAKE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE, THE DUDLEY GROUP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST</p> <p>A metal waste container was stolen from the back of Russells Hall Hospital, in an area covered by CCTV, on Thursday 5th October 2017 at 6.45pm. We are actively helping West Midlands Police who are investigating the theft.</p> <p>The container held mixed paper waste excluding medical records. Medical records are managed away from Russells Hall Hospital.</p> <p>As a Trust we send all paper waste for shredding and recycling. This would include such items as posters, leaflets, cardboard, magazines and anything else that can be recycled.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">*** ENDS ***</p> <p>Notes for editors</p> <p>For further information please contact Jackie Dietrich for The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust via 01384 244403 or email communications@dgh.nhs.uk</p>	