

Trust Headquarters
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Date: 1/8/23

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please see response below

1. For each year (2020 – 2022), please confirm how many cyberattacks your Trust has suffered?
2. For each year (2020 – 2022), please confirm how many cyberattacks have resulted in the halting of or delay in delivery of care or services to patients?

Questions 1 & 2 - The Trust is required to balance whether the information requested is in the public interest (the public as a whole) and if the release of such information would have the potential to cause any harm should that information get into the wrong hands.

It is imperative that the Trust is cyber resilient, cyber-attacks against infrastructure have the potential to inflict significant, real-life disruption and prevent access to critical services that are vital to the functioning of Trust systems. The Trust considers this information to be sensitive information and are therefore holding this information under section 31 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act. Information - is exempt if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice - (a) the prevention or detection of crime

3. For each year (2020-2022), please confirm:

The GBP (£) value of budget allocated to cybersecurity

What percentage of the Trust's entire budget for the financial year was spent on cybersecurity?

To see a previous response please go to the Freedom of Information request disclosure log on the Trust's external website [Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dgft.nhs.uk/disclosure-log) and in the search box type in 016389.

4. How many times in the last 12 months have you audited your third-party suppliers' cybersecurity measures? - Third party suppliers cyber security measures are vetted at least annually

Please note the Trust receives many requests for information on IT Systems, previous responses can be found on the Freedom of Information request disclosure log on the Trust website [Disclosure log - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dgft.nhs.uk/disclosure-log) in the search box type in 'IT Systems'

The Trust's Digital Strategy can also be found on the website [Digital & Technology Strategy 2019 – 2024 - The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust \(dgft.nhs.uk\)](https://www.dgft.nhs.uk/digital-technology-strategy)

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If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Tel: 0303 123 1113
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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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