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Ref: FOI-000230

Date: 1/9/23

Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1. When junior doctors are not on strike, how much is the average consultant at your trust paid for the following:

1.	Day shift	£50.48
2.	Night shift	£67.31

2. When junior doctors are not on strike, how much is the average junior doctor at your trust paid for the following:

1.	Day shift	£20.27
2.	Night shift	£27.77

3. Over the days 13th, 14th, 15th March and 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th April 2023, when Junior doctors were on strike, how much was the average consultant at your trust paid to cover a junior doctor's shift for:

1.	Day shift	£140.00
2.	Night shift	£210.00

4. How much did the trust spend on senior doctors/consultants' salaries in total to cover the junior doctors' shifts when the junior doctors were on strike in March and April 2023

The Trust is unable to answer this as we do not hold the information you have requested in a reportable format.

The ICO guidance clearly states "FOIA only applies to information that a public authority already holds in recorded form at the time of a request. If you don't hold a particular piece of information that someone has asked for, you don't have to create it".

5. How much did the trust spend on senior doctor/consultants' salaries in total on dates in March and April 2023 when junior doctors were not on strike?

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6. During the junior doctors strike days in March and April 2023, how much did your trust spend on locum/agency staff to cover shifts? - £0

7. How much extra money did your trust pay during the junior doctors’ strike days (13th, 14th, 15th March and 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th April) in total? - £263,436

8. How did your trust afford to pay for extra locum staff/ agency staff/ senior doctors/consultants to cover junior doctors’ shifts during the strike days in March and April 2023? Where did the money come from?

- This is unfunded and results in an overspend.

9. How much did your trust spend on giving locum shifts to junior doctors during the strike days in March and April 2023?

March	£24,686
April	£61,940

10. How many junior doctors who were on strike from your trust were employed as locums on strike days in March? And in April? (Please supply individual figures for each month)

March	0
April	0

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.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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