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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and in accordance with the Environmental Information Regulations, I am writing to request the following information:

1. How many multi-agency exercises have been conducted by your organisation within the last 3 years (1st May 2022 to 30th April 2025 inclusive).

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2. What proportion of these multi-agency exercises were:

i. Tabletop / Scenario Based - 0

ii. Live Exercises - 1

iii. Other (please state).

3. Please detail how post-exercise findings are fed back into the organisation and how any changes to policies and procedures are implemented as a result of this feedback.

– Post incident reports are completed and shared with all parties, initially for comments. Any actions borne out of the exercise are captured within the report and documented within our action tracker to ensure follow up. This includes actions relating to policy and procedure reviews/ updates which are incorporated into our annual documentation review (or earlier if deemed necessary). A summary of exercise and outcomes are discussed quarterly at our EPRR assurance meeting and included within the annual report

4. What proportion of multi-agency exercises in the last 3 years:

i. Involved more than two CCA 2004 category one responder organisations – 0 (please detail)

ii. Involved CCA 2004 category two responders - 0 (please detail)

iii. Involved organisations from the voluntary and faith based sectors - 0 (please detail).

5. Please detail how the aims and objectives of the exercise are determined and communicated to the parties involved.

- The core objectives of the exercise are shared with participants prior to the exercise taking place. How the exercise is steered in terms of nuance/ specific questions, is often not divulged until the day of the exercise to ensure teams respond as they would in a normal situation.

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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