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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Please see the responses to your questions below:

1. Has your Trust used any outsourced MRI or CT radiology reporting services over the last three years?

YES

2. If the answer to Question 1 is yes, how much did you spend on outsourced radiology reporting in the last three years?

	Outsourced MRI reporting spend	Outsourced CT reporting spend
2023/24	£325,426 (forecast to March 24)	£1,181,833 (forecast to March 24)
2022/23	£331,231	£1,068,510
2021/22	£264,934	£853,853

3. Please provide the following information on the diagnostic radiographer workforce, as it pertains to the full diagnostic radiographer workforce at the Trust, as well as those involved in the CT / MRI service:

- a. How many permanent diagnostic radiographer WTE are employed by the Radiography/Imaging department?
- b. How many permanent vacancies are currently open/unfilled within the Radiography/Imaging department for diagnostic radiographers?
- c. How many permanent diagnostic radiographers left the Trust in the last twelve months?

	All diagnostic radiographers	Within which: CT / MRI radiographers
Current permanent WTE	121.72	44.67
Current vacancies (WTE)	16.84	4.65

Turnover (last 12 months, WTE)	4.35%	2.49%
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4. Do you currently have a Community Diagnostic Centre (CDC) in place? (Y/N)

YES

5. If the answer to question 4 is yes:

- a. Is the CDC operated in-house, in collaboration with another Trust or by a third-party?

In-house as well as in collaboration with 3rd party supplier

- b. If the CDC is operated by a third-party or in collaboration with another Trust, which partner(s) are involved in the operation of the CDC?

Cobalt Health

- c. Are you exploring the option of setting up further CDCs? (Y/N) – NO

- d. If the answer to 5c is yes, when are you planning to do so? NA

6. If the answer to question 4 is no:

- a. Are you exploring the option of setting up a CDC? (Y/N)

- b. If the answer to 6a is yes, when are you planning to do so?

- c. If the answer to question 6a is yes, are you exploring the option of using third-party providers? (Y/N)

NA