

Email:

5 February 2020

Our Ref:

Dear

Re: Request for information – Freedom of Information Act 2000

I refer to your request for information set out below.

1. Can you tell me how much you spent each year financial year for the past five on applications for external awards (as in a prize, money or award given to the Trust for doing something well) please?
2. Can you provide, in a table, the number and names of the awards you applied for each year - and also the number and name of the awards won in each year?
3. Can you also tell me the total cost of attending the awards ceremony for the Trust, including tickets, expenses on the night, hotel and travel expenses and the number who attended from the Trust?

Decisions made by the Northern Health and Social Care Trust ('the Trust') in relation to the release of information that the Trust holds, are governed by the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), the Data Protection Act (DPA)/GDPR 2018 and other pieces of associated legislation.

The Northern Health and Social Care Trust do not record this information centrally; therefore, it would require an extensive manual exercise involving numerous departments within the various Directorates of the Trust. Therefore the Trust is applying Section 12 (1) of the FOIA, which states that a public authority is not obliged to comply with a request, if the staff time taken to determine whether the information is held, locating, retrieving and extracting the information, would exceed 18 hours (at a cost exceeding £450).

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response, you may request an internal review by writing to me within two calendar months of the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

(electronically sent; therefore not signed)

Information Governance Officer