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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 26th February 2024 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Net Zero and Decarbonisation Targets and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

1. The NHS in England has set targets to reach net zero by 2040 for direct emissions. Does your organisation have a clear roadmap of how you're going to reach this target?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

No, whilst the Trust has a Green Plan and short and medium term objectives, due to the complex nature of our buildings and contracts the Trust is currently exploring the options to develop a clear roadmap to take forward.

2. What significant changes have you made – if any – since this goal was set in 2020? Select all that apply:

- Upgraded our building systems - Yes
- Adopted technology to monitor and optimise energy use - Yes

- **Digitised electrical infrastructure and energy sources** - No
- **Invested in renewable technologies** - Yes
- **Implemented circular business practices** - No
- **Other: please state**

The Trust has removed gas boilers from a number of buildings and upgraded lighting.

3. Does your organisation currently measure its total carbon footprint?

- **Yes**
- **No**
- **I don't know**

Yes

4. Has your organisation received funding to spend on decarbonisation?

- **Yes**
- **No**
- **I don't know**

Yes

4b) If yes, where has this funding been spent?

- **Upgrading heating, lighting and ventilation**

Yes

- **Installing solar panels or other forms of renewable energy**

Yes

- **Carbon capture and storage solutions**

No

- **Energy-efficient technologies and equipment such as LED lighting, HVAC systems**

No

- **Training and awareness programmes**

No

- **Other: please state**

Upgraded BMS Systems

5. What percentage of your energy consumption from fossil fuels?

- **0-10%**
- **11-20%**
- **21-30%**
- **31-40%**
- **41-50%**
- **51-60%**
- **61-70%**
- **71-80%**
- **81-90%**
- **91-100%**

91-100% - please note that this is Scope 1 only, the Trust are on REGO tariffs for electricity.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator