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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for your request for information received on 2 January 2019 in relation to the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (Trust). We are dealing with your request under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

You requested information regarding parking fines. Specifically you requested information as follows:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information:

1. How many parking fines* have been appealed in the last two years?

Site	2017	2018
Darlington Memorial Hospital	52	111
Bishop Auckland Hospital	24	136

2. How much money has been raised for the hospital in the past two years from parking fines*?

Site	2017	2018
Darlington Memorial Hospital	£5538	£6395
Bishop Auckland Hospital	£1895	£3044

3. How many times has the hospital had to intervene over a parking fine* being issued to a patient?

Answer: The Trust manages the issue of all parking infringement notices and therefore deals with all appeals as listed in Question 1.

4. Please provide any notes or reasons provided to the hospital for a parking fine* being issued.

The following parking violations will incur a parking infringement notice being issued:

1. Failing to display a valid permit or ticket
2. Permit or ticket not clearly displayed
3. The period for which payment was made has expired
4. Parking in a disabled bay without valid badge/permit
5. Displaying a permit not valid for the parking space / vehicle
6. Failing to park completely within a single marked space
7. Parking in a restricted area
8. Parking causing obstruction / inconvenience

****Parking fine can also refer to a penalty charge notice. Please provide figures for 2017 and 2018 broken down into each year.***

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. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust website.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request a review by writing to:

The Chief Executive
County Durham & Darlington NHS Foundation Trust
Darlington Memorial Hospital
Hollyhurst Road
Darlington
DL3 6HX

If, you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or complaint, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire

SK9 5AF

Telephone: 0303 123 1113

Website: www.ico.gov.uk.

There is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely

Joanna Tyrrell
Freedom of Information Officer