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Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 13 May 2021 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 ICT documents and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

I wish to obtain the following documents. If some of these documents are not valid, please state when the 2020 onwards ICT documents are planned to be published:

- 1. ICT/IM&T/IS Strategy- the IT department strategy or plans, highlights their current and future objectives?**

Please see Attachment 1 and note the Trust's current HI Strategy is available on the Trust's website: <https://www.cddft.nhs.uk/quality-and-safety/health-informatics-strategy.aspx?style=normal>

- 2. ICT Org Chart- A visual document that presents the structure of the IT department, please include name and job titles? If this cannot be sent, please work towards a structure with job titles?**

Please see Attachment 2

- 3. ICT Annual or Business Plan- Like the ICT strategy but is more annually focused?**

The business planning exercise and delivery for financial year 2020/21 was stood down due to Covid-19 response. Planning for this year is still in process and so the Trust is currently unable to share. The Trust expects the plan to be available in September 2021.

4. ICT Capital Programme/budget- A document that shows financials budget on current and future projects?

The Trust has allocated £9.412m of its Capital Departmental Expenditure Limit (CDEL) to ICT projects in 2021/22 covering electronic patient records (EPR), Infrastructure and device replacement, cyber security refresh and a laboratory information management system. At this time, only one business case has been approved, which is for the EPR project, which has a total capital allocation for 2021/22 of £5.412m. The Trust is unable to confirm the ICT programme for future years as the Trust does not know what the allocated CDEL limit will be.

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

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