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**Our reference: FOI DA5624**

I am responding to your request for information received 4 October 2024. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113  
Web: [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
**Chair:** Eileen Taylor

**Request:** Please can this be broken down into the following years.

- a) 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023
- b) 1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024
- c) 1st April 2024 – to date

**Question 1:** Number of Freedom of Information (FOI) requests received.

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Date	Number of FOI requests received
1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023	522
1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024	661
1st April 2024 – to date (7 October 2024)	361

**Question 2:** Percentage that were sent out on time.

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Date	Percentage of FOI requests sent on time
1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023	51%
1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024	64 %
1st April 2024 – to date (7 October 2024)	75%

**Question 3:** Number of which were sent back for internal review

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Date	Number of internal reviews of FOI requests
1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023	8
1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024	3
1st April 2024 – to date (7 October 2024)	8

**Question 4:** Number of which were referred to the ICO.

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Date	Number of FOI requests referred to ICO
1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023	1
1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024	0
1st April 2024 – to date (7 October 2024)	0

**Question 5:** Number of staff that you had in the year to process Freedom of Information requests. (if this changed throughout the year, please can we request the total number budgeted for and the average number actually in post).

**Answer:** Please see table below:



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Date	Number of staff
1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023	One WTE FOI Coordinator was budgeted and in post in 2022/23
1st April 2023 – 31st March 2024	One WTE FOI Coordinator was budgeted and in post in 2023/24
1st April 2024 – to date (22 October 2024)	One WTE FOI Coordinator was budgeted and in post from 1 <sup>st</sup> April to date.



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