

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

Ref: DPT 19/20/284

Date: 10/03/2020

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act.

QUESTIONS

This request relates to UK Environmental Legislation, specifically Air Conditioning Inspection Reporting, which is mandatory for UK hospital buildings which are air conditioned above a statutory minimum size.

1. Q. How many buildings do you occupy which have air conditioning. Provide building names.
2. Q. Who is the responsible person for ensuring that your buildings are legally compliant on this mandatory environmental matter? Provide the name, position, address, email address and direct telephone number of the responsible person.
3. Q. All reports are mandatorily lodged on a Government database. No reports are currently lodged or are out of date, you are therefore non-compliant. Has your Trust Board been made aware of this breach?
4. Q. Provide the name and email address of the ultimate person who has made the decision to ignore this Environmental Legislation.
5. Q. Provide the name and email address of each Trust Board Member.
6. Q. If you use a Facilities Management Company to manage compliance, who are they?

RESPONSES

As per Section 39 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we have processed this request under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004.

1. Devon Partnership NHS Trust currently operates 17 buildings which have air conditioning, they are listed below:
 - a) ASU
 - b) Compass House
 - c) Franklyn Hospital
 - d) Franklyn House

- e) Haydons Court
- f) Jasmine Logde
- g) Junipers (PICU)
- h) Prentice
- i) Dewnans
- j) Chichester
- k) Quay
- l) Riverford House
- m) Shrublands
- n) St Johns Court
- o) Trinity House
- p) Wonford House
- q) The Cedars

2. Mark Barriball, mark.barriball@nhs.net 01392 208678
3. Only air conditioning systems with an effective rated output of more than 12kW are affected by these regulations or combined systems consisting of individual units which are less than 12kW whose effective rated output is more than 12kW. The Trust is in the processes of updating the compliance position following the completion of 2 new wards and if necessary will update the central register and obtain the required reference number.
4. N/A
5. Devon Partnership NHS Trust holds this information. Under Section 21(2)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 a Public Authority is not required to supply information which is otherwise "reasonably accessible by other means." The Freedom of Information Act 2000 states under Section 21(2) is (a) "accessible only on payment" or (b) "that information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment."

The information you have requested is available free of charge on the following weblink: <https://www.dpt.nhs.uk/about/who-we-are/our-board-of-directors>

Devon Partnership NHS Trust does not provide email addresses of Trust board members. All members of staff are contactable at the following address:

Trust Headquarters
Wonford House Hospital
Dryden Road
Exeter
EX2 5AF

6. The Trust use an in-house estates team to maintain compliance.

APPEALS PROCEDURE

Any appeal against this decision should be made in writing to:

Chief Information Officer,
Devon Partnership NHS Trust,
Prentice Building,
Langdon Hospital,
Dawlish,
EX7 0NR.

The decision will be reviewed and a response provided within 20 working days. If you remain unsatisfied by the decision a complaint may be made in writing to the Complaints/Litigation Administrator at the above address for the matter to be dealt with in accordance with the Trust complaints policy.

Alternatively, you have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner at: Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. Tel: 0303 123 1113. For further information please refer to www.ico.org.uk

We are monitoring how people making Freedom of Information requests are experiencing the process and would value your feedback in order to improve the service as necessary. If you wish to provide feedback please respond via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BC6QXBM>