



**Northern, Eastern and Western Devon
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Dear P Freeman,

Re: Request for information under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received on Monday 3 October 2016 at 19:52

The CCG is confirming in accordance with Section - (1) (a) of the Act, it holds the information requested and (b) is supplying it unless otherwise specified.

You requested the following information.

1. On page 5 of your document "20160125 DVN001 Case for Change FINAL DRAFT" it is stated that "A third of bed space in community hospitals is empty or under-used".

Can you please provide any documents you hold that provide supporting evidence for this statement, together with details of where in these documents this supporting evidence can be found.

2. On page 26 of this same document "20160125 DVN001 Case for Change FINAL DRAFT" it is stated that "In many community hospitals, up to half the bed spaces are not used, and, overall, one third of the total bed space is either under-used or empty" with a reference (103) to another document "Northern Devon Healthcare Trust and team analysis, 2015".

Can you please provide me with the following information related to this:

Answer to questions 1 &2:

In order to produce the Case for change, our team have analysed data relating to our current estate and discussed their findings with the appropriate staff. There is no other document called “*Northern Devon Healthcare Trust and team analysis 2015*”.

The data relating to the community estate is publicly available within Trust Estate Returns Information Collection (ERIC) returns at the following link;

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/559127/est-ret-info-col-2015-2016-site-data.csv/preview

and is summarised in the table below:

NORTH DEVON	Size (NIA Sqm)	Empty (%)	Under utilised (%)
Ilfracombe (Tyrell)	1,136	28	56
Torrington	607	45	50
South Molton	1,418	25	25
Holsworthy	1,515	22	47
Bideford	2,802	7	19
Barnstaple HC	1455	4	49
TOTAL NORTH	8,933		
EAST DEVON	Size (GIA Sqm)*	Empty (%)**	Under utilised (%)***
Axminster	3312	39	19
Budleigh Salterton	1435	100	0
Crediton	1759	63	23
Exmouth	4130	14	19
Honiton	4348	1	23
Moretonhampstead	528	63	26
Okehampton	2805	5	15
Ottery St Mary	2335	18	14
Seaton	2193	20	28
Sidmouth	2921	5	18
Whipton	3743	8	7

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Tiverton (PFI)	4652		
TOTAL EAST	34,161		

2a. A copy of the document "Northern Devon Healthcare Trust and team analysis, 2015"

This is not a document. The case for change refers to data provided by NDHT that has been analysed by the team in order to produce the case for change

2b. Details of where in this document it details total bed space being under-used or empty.

Not applicable this is not a document

2c. A list of all information held by NEW Devon CCG about community hospital bed occupancy for areas within the NEW Devon CCG area.

2d. Copies of all documents listed in your answer to 2c.

You have asked for a list of all information held by the CCG about community hospital bed occupancy for the areas within the CCG area. The CCG do not hold the information requested in the format requested or in a single file or database.

The CCG has estimated that the time taken to identify, retrieve, assess and collate a list of all information held by NEW Devon CCG about community hospital bed occupancy for areas within the NEW Devon CCG area would be in excess of 18 hours.

Under the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004 ["Fees Regulations"] for the purposes of estimating the cost of compliance with a request for information the CCG may take into account the amount of time it takes to determine whether it holds the information, locate the information or a document which may contain the information, retrieve the information or a document which may contain the information and extract the information from a document containing it.

Based on a rate of £25 per hour, in accordance with the Fees Regulations, we estimate that it will cost in excess of £450 to locate, retrieve and extract the information you have requested. This sum exceeds the appropriate limit of £450 as defined in the Freedom of Information and Data Protection (Appropriate Limit and Fees) Regulations 2004. Under section 12 of the

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Freedom of Information Act 2000 the CCG is not obliged to comply with a request that exceeds the appropriate limit.

You may wish to review and narrow your request so that we may process it within the parameters set out under section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act.

Alternatively, you may wish to have direct communication with the following provider organisations. Please note Livewell South West (western Devon area) is not subject to the Freedom of Information Act.

Royal Devon & Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
Barrack Road
Exeter
Devon
EX2 5DW
Telephone number 01392 406229
Email: rde-tr.FOI@nhs.net
Community hospitals;
<http://www.rdehospital.nhs.uk/patients/services/community-services/community-hospitals.html>

North Devon Healthcare NHS Trust
North Devon District Hospital
Raleigh Park
Barnstaple
Devon
EX31 4JB
Telephone number 01271 322577
Email: www.northdevonhealth.nhs.uk/contact/foi/form/
Community hospitals;
<http://www.northdevonhealth.nhs.uk/services/community/>

3. On page 26 of this same document "20160125 DVN001 Case for Change FINAL DRAFT" it is stated that "The cost per bed for community hospitals is higher than the cost per bed for acute hospitals (up to £750 per day) and higher than average costs for a community hospital bed elsewhere (around £285 per day)" with a reference (104) to another document "Intermediate bed community reference cost 2014/15".

3a. A copy of the document "Intermediate bed community reference cost 2014/15"

National reference costs are available at the following link;

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/nhs-reference-costs-2014-to-2015>

around £285 per day refers to line 48 of the CHS tab of the main schedule

3b. Details of where in this document it details the costs per bed in acute hospitals and in community hospitals and an explanation if needed as to how the conclusion has been drawn that the cost per bed in Devon community hospitals is higher than that for acute hospitals.

This is included within the appendices pre-consultation business case available at; <http://www.newdevonccg.nhs.uk/about-us/your-future-care/publications-and-evidence-sources/102085>

3c. A list of all information held by NEW Devon CCG about community and / or acute hospital bed costs

Please refer to our response to question 2 (c) (d)

3d. Copies of all documents listed in your answer to 3c.

We are unable to progress this question with reference to question 2 (c) (d)

Satisfaction

I trust this matter has been dealt with to your satisfaction but if there is anything which you need further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 01392 205205 or by email at d-ccg.foi@nhs.net Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in any future communications.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you can write to the office and arrangements will be made for an independent review. You of course can write directly to the CCGs Chief Officer if you prefer using the “contact us” details displayed on the CCG website.

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If you remain dissatisfied with the outcome of the appeal, you have the right to appeal again to the Information Commissioner at:
Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Tel: 01625 545 700

Fax: 01625 524 510

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Yours sincerely,

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