

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: UHB10/304

Dear Mrs Havercroft

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am able to provide the following response to your questions:

Please provide details of the total cost of the Inquiry, up to and including the 8th December 2010, broken down as follows:

1. Inquiry Panel
2. Verita
3. Source Biosciences
4. Royal College of Pathologists
5. 8th December 2010 release of report
6. Any other costs not included above.

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HISTOPATHOLOGY INQUIRY COSTS	
	£
Inquiry Panel	335,897
Source Bioscience	147,880
Verita	172,289
Royal College of Pathologists	10,970
8th December Release of Report	15,116
Other costs:	
<i>Board advice, including legal advice</i>	25,691
<i>Additional staffing for communications team</i>	6,525
<i>Coaching and staff support</i>	6,044
	38,260
Total costs	720,412
<u>Notes:</u> Costs include invoices received to date plus estimated outstanding. Estimates of outstanding invoices obtained via discussion with Verita. The cost of the panel's involvement with the writing and publication of the report is included in the inquiry panel heading.	

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Dr Peter Harrowing
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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