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Dear Stephanie Whitley,

Re. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request

Thank you for your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request made to Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust, which the Trust received on 2 March 2020.

Your request

A current up to date list of vehicles leased by the trust for use by managers.

I would like to know the following, Make, Model, Purchase/Lease Start Date, Lease Term, cost, if the vehicle is fitted with emergency warning equipment (Blue lights and siren) and whether they are covert or overt. Which area of the trust the member of staff works in, i.e control, PCS, EMS, HR, Training etc. Their role, their job banding and vehicle allowance. Whether the vehicle is used just for trust business or for personal use aswell. For vehicles which are fitted with emergency warning devices, I would like to know the clinical skill of the member of staff the vehicle is leased for, i.e. First Responder/UCS grade, Technician/AAP, Nurse, Paramedic, APP, Doctor. Could you also also break down into North, Central and West and South/East.

I would also be grateful if you could advise if the vehicles which are response capable if they are fitted with mobile data terminals, fixed or portable (i.e. tablet or smartphone) and if they are fitted with an airwave radio, again fixed or hand portable. For non fixed communication devices, MDT/Radios can you confirm if the member of staff related to the vehicle has had them as personal issue.

Trust response

Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust can confirm it holds some of this information and it is in the attachment provided.

All vehicles in the attachment have a lease allowance of £2,500 and are on 48



month contract periods. The Trust does not record the assigned location of this vehicle nor does it record the clinical skill of the driver on the fleet management system.

Due to much information being potentially personally identifiable, information has been grouped, maintaining the banding of the individual but not the job title. Where an organisation needs to deal with a request for information that contains third party personal data made under FOIA, it is prompted by the Information Commissioner's Office ("ICO") to consider anonymisation of data in accordance with its Code of Practice on Anonymisation: Managing Data Protection Risk. Recognised methods of anonymising data that are advocated are, for example, inference control, derived data, Barnardisation and blurring.

This information was correct at the time it was run and there are often times of crossovers or gaps between the arrival and return of vehicles due to the nature of the industry.

If you have any queries about the information which has been provided then please contact the Legal Services Department via email at yas.foi@nhs.net. Please remember to quote reference 4405 in any future communications.

The Trust hopes this response meets your requirements but if you are unhappy with the way your request for information has been handled, you can request an internal review by contacting the Legal Services Department via email or at the address shown above. The Trust will only consider requests for internal reviews, which are received within two months of the date of response. This is in line with the Information Commissioner's Office guidance, which can be located here: https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/.

If you remain dissatisfied with the handling of your request or internal review, you have a right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office. Further information about how to appeal is available on the ICO website at https://ico.org.uk/make-a-complaint/. Please note there is no charge for making an appeal.

Yours sincerely,

Legal Services Department Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust

