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**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST FOI2019/0298**

Thank you for your request for information.

Wye Valley NHS Trust responds:

**////////////////////REQUEST**

1) For each contract, the projected total (whole life) cost of the scheme, in £, detailed when the scheme was first agreed (i.e. the original projected cost of all Unitary Charge Payments over the full life of the scheme).

**Attached is a file derived from the initial contract financial model which identifies the UC payments at Apr 98 inflation base values. They have been inflated using RPIX up to Apr 19 and then made an estimate of 3% pa thereafter to arrive at the estimated contract costs including inflation based on the initial model.**

2) The projected total (whole life) cost of the scheme, in £, as at August 1, 2019 (i.e. the real cost for previous years and projected cost for future years of all Unitary Charge Payments over the full life of the scheme).

**This can be projected from a forecast of the UC for the remainder of the PFI contract which could be used together with the historic information contained within the annual accounts for past years to arrive at forecast total UCs for the whole of the contract. This is based on an assumption of RPIX at 3% pa so it is largely dependent upon the future accuracy of that assumption. Please see additional file attached for details.**

If there is a difference between 1 and 2, please can you provide details of:

- A) The date(s) the projected costs changed
- B) The reason(s) the projected costs changed

**In answer to these points, there are two main factors that impact on the costs. One is the application of RPIX. This could be controlled for up to the present date to enable a comparison on a like for like basis. The second factor is that the contract has been subject to a large number of contract change notices (CCNs) throughout the operation of the contract to date. Many of these are of low value and/or non-recurrent in nature, however many others do have a significant impact on the PFI unitary charge on a recurrent basis and they are too numerous to identify and list.**

3. A copy of the original contract/agreement;

**The PFI agreement would need to be issued in CD format due to size, alternatively the Trust is happy for visitors to review the Contract under supervision on a reasonable request basis at the Hereford County Hospital site. Please indicate which would be the preferred means to access this information.**

4. An itemised list of any payments made to the PFI contractors for services not included in the original PFI deal, from the beginning of the deal to the current date, and to include exact details of what was being paid for.

**The contract has been subject to circa 2,500 CCNs to date. Attached is a copy of the UC invoice from 2018. A tab for each year and the variations/values are included.**

If you have queries or any concerns contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Coordinator

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