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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5928**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 12th September 2023.

Your request was as follows:

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, please can you provide me with the following information:

1. Does the trust have, or is the trust looking to obtain a HASU (Hyper Acute Stroke Unit) status?

I can confirm that the Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust does not have, nor are looking to obtain Hyper Acute Stroke Unit status.

2. If yes, what is the trust's HASU status?

N/A

3. If not, what is the trust's timeline to gain the HASU status?

N/A

4. How does the trust manage stroke litigation?

The usual litigation process would be followed.

5. What were the trust's costs for managing stroke litigation in the financial year 2022/2023?

Nil.

6. How does the trust currently feed into the SSNAP (Sentinel Stroke National Audit Programme)?

N/A

7. What steps is the trust taking to improve its SSNAP score?

N/A

8. Does the trust have a 'sophistication index'? E.g. A sophistication index shows the trust's ability to approve and implement projects.

N/A

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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Yours sincerely

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