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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 6226

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 13th March 2024.

Your request was as follows:

Please provide me:

- 1) The total £ amount spent on patient meals. I would like a figure for just the food / ingredients, without including staff costs or equipment.
- 2) The total number of meals served to patients (including breakfast if possible)
- 3) The average daily cost of meals per patient in £. I.e how much does it cost to feed one patient for a day, taking just the food / ingredients costs into account, so again not including staff costs or equipment. Provide this as an average over the year, along with a note on the method used to work this out if possible.
- 4) The average number of patients you fed per day over the year (i.e on any given day we fed an average of 100 patients)
- 5) The amount of food wasted and what % this accounts for of total food served for the last 5 years, broken down by year. I would like the 'amount' of food wasted given as a weight measurement if possible.

For each question, please provide figures

For the trust as a whole, and then for each individual hospital under your trust For the last 5 financial years, NOT calendar years as I first requested. Please include this financial year too:

2019/2020

2020/2021

2021/2022

2022/2023

2023/2024 (for this year, please provide the figures from the start of the year to 29/02/2024)

I am expecting the data in table format, with years in the rows, and then a column for the trust as a whole, as well as a column for each hospital you serve.

Please also provide any necessary notes on the information you provide to make sure I have a full understanding of the figures and what they denote.

Please see the attached Word document.

The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust are unable to provide the information for earlier years, as our catering provider did not record this information prior to 2022.

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

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Yours sincerely

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