10 April 2019

Re: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for your email, dated 29 March 2019, making a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 for access to information which may be held by NHS Greater Preston Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG).

Please find detailed below NHS Greater Preston CCG’s response to your request, which is formatted as follows:-

1. Details of NHS Greater Preston CCG’s decision in regard to the information requested.
2. A schedule of all the records covered by your request.
3. A statement concerning copyright and re-use of public sector information.
4. Details of how you can appeal this decision should you wish to do so.

This letter addresses each of these parts in turn:-

1. Decision

   I can confirm that NHS Greater Preston CCG holds the information requested.

2. Schedule of records/FOI response

   Request: On the Executive Management Board of your organisation what is the role/job title of the person with responsibility of digital technology and information within your organisation? CFO for IT (not information)

   Response: The Chief Finance and Contracting Officer has responsibility for digital technology.

Request: What other responsibilities does the role identified in question 1 have in addition to digital technology?

Response: They have responsibility for finance, contracting, procurement, governance and assurance.

Request: If the board level role has digital technology as part of their portfolio, please ask them to estimate what percentage of their time is spent on their digital technology role.
Response: Time spent on their digital technology role is not recorded.

Request: Does the person in the current board level digital leadership role hold any professional qualifications in digital technology?

Response: No.

Request: What is the NHS pay band for the board role with responsibility for digital technology?

Response: *Please see the remuneration report within the CCG’s annual report. [https://www.greaterprestonccg.nhs.uk/download.cfm?doc=docm93jjim4n6102.pdf&ver=11739](https://www.greaterprestonccg.nhs.uk/download.cfm?doc=docm93jjim4n6102.pdf&ver=11739) (please note that this role also covers NHS Greater Preston CCG).

Request: Within your organisation what is the Job title of the person with day to day management responsibility for Digital technology.

Response: Integrated Care Partnership Finance Lead.

Request: What is the agenda for change pay band for the role identified in question 4.

Response: *See above.

Request: If the role identified in question 4 is a Board member are they a full member with executive voting rights?

Response: Yes.

Request: What is the role title of the person who is the Senior Information Risk Owner (SIRO) within your organisation?

Response: Chief Finance and Contracting Officer.

Request: In the light of the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Matt Hancock’s statement on 28th November 2018 “So if you’re a chief executive, I don't expect you to know everything about tech, but I do expect you to have a chief information officer on the board who does” Has your board formally discussed changes to the board in relation to digital technology?

Response: Yes, via the Management Executive Team.

Request: Has your organisation got plans in place to discuss changing digital technology leadership at the board level?

Response: There are currently no plans to discuss changing digital technology leadership at the board level.
Request: Has your organisation got a plan to change technology leadership at board level and if so what are the time scales for this to be achieved.

Response: There are currently no plans to change technology leadership at board level.

Request: On average over the past 3 years what is the total annual revenue spending on digital technology systems and services within your organisation? looking for a total figure for all of the recurring revenue spending on staff, systems, licensing, 3rd party support etc.

Response: **This information is available in a previous freedom of information request response. Please see FOI 006300, which can be found at: https://www.greaterprestonccg.nhs.uk/previous-foi-requests.

It should be noted that the CCG commissions NHS Midlands and Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit to provide an IT service.

Request: On average over the past 3 years what is the total annual capital spending on digital technology systems and services within your organisation. Again, I am looking for a total figure for spending on hardware, software, systems, 3rd parties, project management and implementation etc.

Response: **Please see above.

3. Copy and reuse of public sector information provided in FOI response

Most of the information provided by NHS Greater Preston CCG in response to Freedom of Information Act 2000 requests will be subject to copyright protection. In the majority of cases the information will be owned by NHS Greater Preston CCG. The copyright for other information may be owned by another person or organisation, as indicated in the information itself: in this case you must apply to the copyright owner to obtain their permission.

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4. Right of appeal to FOI response

If you are dissatisfied with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you are entitled to complain in the following way:
Initially you should complain in writing to the freedom of information officer, either by
email on gpccg.foi@nhs.net or post to Chorley House, Lancashire Business Park,
Leyland, PR26 6TT, specifying why you feel you have been wrongly denied access to the
information requested. The freedom of information officer will ensure your complaint is
investigated under NHS Greater Preston CCG's internal processes and provide you with
a written response within 20 working days.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the
Information Commissioner’s Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make
a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS
Greater Preston CCG.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

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