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Dear Sir/Madam

**Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000 - Request for Information Reference: Asbestos**

I am writing in response to your request for information under the FOI 2000.

I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do not hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our apologies for the delay.

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FOI Request / Question	Question Response	Is there an exemption?	Exemption	Exemption Details
1. How many buildings / blocks are you responsible for owning / managing from a maintenance perspective? (Include any under PFI contracts)		Yes	PFI	The contract for this service falls under the Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract held by Central Nottinghamshire Hospitals and their hard and soft services providers. The cost of these soft services are covered within the total unitary charge payment under the Private Finance Initiative for all services and as such cannot be separated as an individual cost as the contract is interdependent. Further details of the unitary charge payments are available here: <a href="https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/about-us/finances/what-we-spend-and-how-we-spend-it/">https://www.sfh-tr.nhs.uk/about-us/finances/what-we-spend-and-how-we-spend-it/</a>
2. How many of these buildings / blocks contain asbestos?				
3. How many Asbestos Containing Materials (ACMs) do you have? If you are uncertain, please provide an estimate.				
4. What format of asbestos register do you have? (e.g. paper based, Excel, internal database, externally digital, asbestos consultant system, survey reports etc.)				
5. Does your Trust have a dedicated person(s) to manage asbestos? If so how many roles.				
6. What is the job title of the person (or persons) who are responsible for managing asbestos day to day (not the Dutyholder)?				
7. Does this person / role solely cover asbestos or do they have other responsibilities?				
8. What asbestos / health & safety qualifications do those persons involved in the management of asbestos hold? (e.g. Asbestos Awareness, NEBOSH, CoCA, P401, P402, P403, P404, P405, P406, P407, S301, W504 etc.)				
9. Does your Trust have external support for asbestos management? (Not including undertaking removal/ abatement, surveys, sampling, air monitoring, training etc.)				
10. Does your Trust employ an Independent Assessor / Authorised Person / Authorising Engineer for asbestos?				
11. Does your Trust undertake external audits of asbestos management?				

12. Do you undertake any of the following asbestos activities in-house – sampling, re-inspections, removal / abatement, training?				
13. Do you employ asbestos consultants?				
14. Do you require asbestos consultants to be UKAS accredited?				
15. If using consultants, what services do you get them to undertake? (e.g. management / refurbishment / demolition surveys, air monitoring & 4SC, specification writing, training etc.)				
16. If using consultants, how do you procure their services? (e.g. per job, approved list, national framework, internal framework, annual contract etc.)				
17. Within the last 3 years have you had issues with the standard or work undertaken by asbestos consultants?				
18. Do you employ Licensed Asbestos Removal Contractors (LARCs)?				
19. Do you employ Non-Licensed Asbestos Contractors?				
20. If using contractors, how do you procure their services? (e.g. per job, approved list, national framework, internal framework, annual contract etc.)				
21. Within the last 3 years have you had issues with the standard or work undertaken by asbestos removal contractors?				

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email [sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net](mailto:sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net).

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of the internal review, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office, who will consider whether we have complied with our obligations under the Act and can require us to remedy any problems. Generally, the Information Commissioner's Office cannot decide unless you have exhausted the internal review procedure. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/your-data-matters/official-information/>.

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Yours faithfully

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