

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-258

18 May 2021

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we hold some the information you are requesting

We are instructed by RiverStone who act as claims handlers in connection with employer's liability insurance held with Bernard Hastie & Company Limited.

RiverStone have recently settled a mesothelioma claim made against Bernard Hastie & Co Limited in which the Claimant made allegations of asbestos exposure whilst working on an extension of the Bristol Royal Infirmary in the employment of Bernard Hastie between 1969 and 1972. The Claimant's evidence confirms that the main contractor on the site was Andrews Weatherfoil Limited.

Can you please provide all documentation, contractual or otherwise, relevant to the construction of the extension including any specifications of the materials used and any steps taken to reduce asbestos exposure to those working on the site.

The Trust does not hold any historic records for the timeframe requested.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, 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:

Director of Corporate Governance
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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