

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 21-667

12 January 2022

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 do hold the information you are requesting

1. Does your Trust measure its total carbon footprint? If yes, what is the carbon footprint of your Trust? (Please provide in tCO2e and specify the date of measurement)

127,799 tCO2e estimated across scopes 1 – 3 for 2020/21 financial year

2. What steps has your Trust taken towards meeting the Greener NHS target of Net Zero by 2045?

Please see the latest annual report attached

3. What percentage of your Trust energy consumption comes from fossil fuels? See below table for scope 1 and 2 emissions which shows the breakdown of emissions from energy which they can use to calculate percentages

Total Scope 1	13,366
Gas	11,721
Oil	181
LPG	2
Diesel	10
Anaesthetic Gases (medical, not energy, ignore)	1,452
Total Scope 2	4,748
Traditional Grid Electricity	0
REGO Grid Electricity	4,748

4. What steps is your Trust taking to reduce its fossil fuel consumption?

Please see the latest Annual report attached

5. How many vehicles are in your Trust's fleet?

27

6. How many of your Trust's fleet uses:

A. Petrol/Diesel - 22

B. Hybrid - 0

C. Electric - 5

7. Does your Trust have a policy on reducing the use of single-use plastics (including for clinical and/or non-clinical items)? If yes, please provide details of this policy and the reduction achieved to date.

We don't have a policy but have signed the plastics pledge with the initial focus on catering plastics and have achieved

Reduced single use plastic:

Straws 96%

Cups 91%

Lids 75%

Plates 82%

8. Has your Trust received funding to spend specifically on sustainability and decarbonisation? If yes, please provide details on how much and over what time period.

We have received just over £17 million in funding from the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme for a range of decarbonisation projects. We were awarded the funds in late 2019.

9. How much has your Trust spent in 2021 (including specific funding received and any other expenditure) on activities related to sustainability and decarbonisation?

We are not able to give a scope of what is a sustainability related activity and would take significant amount of time to calculate the spend.

Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

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

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Marlborough Street
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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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