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Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Request for Information – NHS North East & North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB)

Thank you for your request received by North of England Commissioning Support (NECS) on 23 February 2023 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

For information Clinical Commissioning Groups ceased to exist on 30 June 2022. Services that were previously delivered by the CCG are now being delivered by the successor organisation NHS North East and North Cumbria (ICB).

Details of Request

Please see the below Freedom of Information requests made to NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) relating to the interaction of the ICB with Beaumont Park Medical Group and the decision making processes around the ICBs support for the new medical centre Beaumont Park Medical Group propose to build on the public park at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton.

1. On what date did Beaumont Park Medical Group apply to NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (ICB) for a temporary closure of their patient list?
2. What issues did Beaumont Park Medical Group state they were experiencing which forced them to close their patient list?
3. On what date did Beaumont Park Medical Group apply to the ICB to reopen their list?
4. How did Beaumont Park Medical Group show the ICB they had resolved the issues which closed the patient list so that it could be re-opened?
5. What has Beaumont Park Medical Group told the ICB about their existing practice and why they are unable to remain in their current building?
6. Was the ICB aware that the landlord of the current building is Dr George Rae, a member / former member of the Beaumont Park Medical Group?

7. On what date did the ICB ask North Tyneside Council to reconsider its position in respect of the parkland at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton?
8. Provide copies of all correspondence the ICB sent North Tyneside Council in respect of Beaumont Park Medical Groups application to purchase the land at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton.
9. Which members of the ICB asked North Tyneside Council to reconsider its position in respect of the sale of the land at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton.
10. Provide the minutes from the meeting where the ICB agreed to support the purchase of the land for the new medical centre.
11. Minutes from the 28 November 2022 North Tyneside Council Cabinet meeting, state an agent acting on behalf of the ICB responded to the 84 representations made by local residents in opposition to the sale of the park and stated that the ICB had sent North Tyneside Council a statement in support of the sale of the land for a new medical centre. Please confirm the name of the 'agent' acting on behalf of the ICB and provide a copy of the statement sent to North Tyneside Council.
12. When lending its support to the purchase of the public park did the ICB produce an impact assessment report to examine the potential impact the loss of green space would have on the health and wellbeing of the local community?
13. Does the ICB intend to fund the new medical centre at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton?
14. Provide copies of all correspondence Beaumont Park Medical Group sent the ICB in respect of the proposed new medical centre at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton.
15. Did the ICB receive any representations or correspondence from Dr George Rae in relation to the purchase of the land at Newsteads Drive, West Monkseaton. If so please provide copies of the correspondence.

Response

The ICB estimates that the cost of complying with your request would exceed the appropriate limit.

We are therefore applying section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 – exceeds the appropriate limit.

The appropriate limit is specified in regulations and is set at £450 for NHS bodies. This represents the estimated cost of one person spending more than 18 hours in determining whether NENC ICB holds all the information requested, locating it, retrieving it, and extracting the information.

Please see the following calculations for data collection of this request:

*Estimated time = 39 hours
Cost = £25 per hour
Total cost = 39 x £25 = £975*

Compliance with the request, is therefore outside of the data collection limits.

If you wish to narrow the scope of the request for the ICB to consider, please submit to necsu.icbfoi@nhs.net and your request will be treated as a new request. However, please be advised that some questions may be subject to exemptions under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

If you are unhappy 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 should write to the Senior Governance Manager using the contact details at the top of this letter quoting the appropriate reference number.

If you are not content with the outcome your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by The North of England Commissioning Support Unit.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Any information we provide following your request under the Freedom of Information Act will not confer an automatic right for you to re-use that information, for example to publish it. If you wish to re-use the information that we provide and you do not specify this in your initial application for information then you must make a further request for its re-use as per the Re-Use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015 www.legislation.gov.uk . This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours sincerely

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