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I am responding to your request for information received 25 October 2023. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliff House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request:

Question 1: Total NHS trust spending on gift cards and gift vouchers in: 2022/23/ 2021/22 / 2020/21

Answer: Please see table below:

Financial Year	Total Spend
2020/21	£660,585.69
2021/22	£44,310.44
2022/23	£50,070.37

Question 2: For each year please provide a breakdown of
• **Total spending on Gift cards and vouchers for staff**

Answer: Please see table below:

Financial Year	Staff
2020/21	£658,353.29
2021/22	£21,200.50
2022/23	£34,701.00

Question 3: For each year please provide a breakdown of Gift cards and vouchers for patients on health incentive schemes (such as losing weight, quitting smoking, cutting down or quitting alcohol). If possible please break down the spending for each type of scheme.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response. Although it records gift card and voucher expenditure for patients the reason for the expenditure is not identified, therefore the Trust is unable to respond to this question.



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