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I am responding to your request for information received 13 November 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:

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**Interim Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
**Chair:** Eileen Taylor

**Request:** Under Freedom of Information legislation, I would like to request the following.

**Question 1:** Is your organisation and apprenticeship levy payer? Yes or no is sufficient.

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question 2:** What was the value (£) of your organisation's apprenticeship levy contributions in

**(a) 2019-20**

**Answer:** £1,314,474.47.

**(b) 2020-21 (c) 2021-22 and (d) 2022-23.**

**Please provide an annual breakdown.**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed questions 2b, 2c and 2d of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

*(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.*

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-07/Response%20FOI%20DA4764%20-%20Appendix%201.pdf>

**Question 3:** How much apprenticeship levy 'expired' – i.e. was not used - in (a) 2019-20 (b) 2020-21 (c) 2021-22 and (d) 2022-23. Please provide an annual breakdown.

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Year	Value of 'expired' apprenticeship levy
2019-20	£585,657.95
2020-21	£543,762.67
2021-22	£269,505.89
2022-23	£440,606.99

**Question 4:** How many apprenticeship starts did your organisation create in (a) 2019-20 (b) 2020-21 (c) 2021-22 and (d) 2022-23. Please provide an annual breakdown.

**Answer:** Please see table below:

Year	Number of apprenticeships
2019-20	137
2020-21	117
2021-22	86
2022-23	67

**Question 5:** How many of those apprenticeship starts created were (a) male and (b) female in 2019-20, 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23. Please provide an annual breakdown for each gender.



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Answer: Please see table below:

Year	Number of male apprenticeships	Number of female apprenticeships
2019-20	50	87
2020-21	30	87
2021-22	19	67
2022-23	13	54



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