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I am responding to your request for information received 7 May 2025. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

When an organisation receives a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, it is allowed under the Act to apply a blanket exemption to this where it has concluded that providing a response would take in excess of eighteen hours.

When the cost of compliance and extracting information would exceed eighteen hours, a cost limit of £450 can be applied. This is explained in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to eighteen hours work.

Having reviewed your request, the Trust has noted that it would not be able to provide all the information requested within the eighteen hours specified in the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, in this instance and to assist you, we have provided a partial response to your request as per below.

In order to assist you with your request, I have advised below the timing each question would take to help you to refine your request. If you wish to refine your request to comply with the eighteen hour time limit, please do get in touch.

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



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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
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF

Tel: 0303 123 1113

Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The request relates to Coroners' Prevention of Future Deaths Reports (PFDs or Reg 28 letters) issued for deaths ruled to have been caused by suicide.

Please provide the following information for the time period between 1st January 2019 (or the date of inception for your trust) and 5th May 2025, inclusive.

Question 1: Please send me a copy of every PFD relating to suicide that the Trust received. Please include PFDs received where the Trust was a listed addressee and/or where the Trust was copied for information as an 'interested person'.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 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.

All information requested is accessible here:

https://www.judiciary.uk/?s=&pfd_report_type=&post_type=pfd&order=relevance

All relevant PFDs to your request are available on the website. If a search is conducted for ELFT and East London NHS, the relevant PFDs should appear and can be reviewed. ELFT responses are linked to on the PFD pages.

Question 2: Please also send me a copy of the Trust's response to each PFD, clearly marking to which PFD the response refers.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 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.

All information requested is accessible here:

https://www.judiciary.uk/?s=&pfd_report_type=&post_type=pfd&order=relevance

All relevant PFDs to your request are available on the website. If a search is conducted for ELFT and East London NHS, the relevant PFDs should appear and can be reviewed. ELFT responses are linked to on the PFD pages.

Question 3: Please send me a copy of any internal correspondence which relates to each PFD, clearly marking to which PFD the correspondence refers. This should include:

- Minutes from meetings
- Email conversations between staff and contractors
- Details of any staff training undertaken
- Memos sent



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

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

Section 12(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit

The Trust has reviewed your request for information and in order to collate this information, it would be necessary to identify all relevant members of staff, review all correspondence sent to and from these individuals for relevance, review each of these individual's training records and review minutes from every possible relevant PFD meeting and then collate the relevant information. This is estimated to take over 18 hours.



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