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I am responding to your request for information received 22 May 2025 and clarified on 10 June. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. 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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Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
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**Request:**

**Question 1: Does your Trust provide mental health services for:**

- **Adults (18+)?**
- **Children and adolescents (under 18)?**

Answer: Yes.

**Question 2: Please provide a brief overview of the services provided to Adults**

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.*

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/service-search>

**Question 3: Please provide a brief overview of services provided to Children**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 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/service-users-and-carers/child-health>

**Question 4: Please provide the number current number of employees**

Answer: The Trust currently has the following number of employees:

Substantive - 7756

Bank - 2543

Honorary - 1312

**Question 5: Please provide your organisations safeguarding team structure, including Executive, Named Dr's, all statutory and non-statutory roles and admin support including:**

**Job titles (specifying adults and or children), MCA and Prevent etc  
Please include Grade.**

Answer:

- Chief Nurse - Executive Lead for Safeguarding.
- Director of Nursing- Delegated Executive of Safeguarding.
- Associate Director of Safeguarding and Lead for Domestic Abuse and Prevent (Head of Safeguarding) - (Adults and Children).
- Lead Professional for Safeguarding Adults.
- Lead Professional for Safeguarding Children.
- Named Professional for Safeguarding Adults –5.2 WTE.
- Named Professional for Safeguarding Children- 5WTE.
- Safeguarding Data & Information Manager - 1WTE.
- Safeguarding Analyst - 3WTE.



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Section 40 for the FOI Act states:

*(2) This exemption covers the personal data of third parties (anyone other than the requester) where complying with the request would breach any of the principles in the UK GDPR.*

The grade / banding information you have requested has the potential for individuals to be identified. The Trust is therefore unable to provide such information.

**Question 6: Please can you kindly share**

**a) Whether the safeguarding function is managed centrally or across individual service areas**

Answer: Operational safeguarding function is managed borough wise with oversight, quality assurance and support from the Corporate Safeguarding team.

**b) What the safeguarding team duties include**

Answer: Providing Safeguarding advice, support, monitoring and oversight. Attending the sub-groups and partnership meetings. Attending, contributing and quality assuring the Individual Management Reviews (IMR's), Chronology. Offering Level 3 safeguarding adults and children. Developing and delivering bespoke trainings based on the needs of the service. Undertaking audits including section 11 audits and Safeguarding Adults Personal Assets Team (SAPAT) audits. Offering safeguarding supervision to all staff on a quarterly basis. Ensuring that action plans of the Safeguarding Adults Reviews (SAR's), Child Safeguarding Practice Review (CSPRs) and Domestic Abuse Related Death Reviews (DARDRs) are implemented.

Updating policies and process.

**c) Do you provide Looked After Children services?**

Answer: Yes.

**d) Is the LAC team part of the safeguarding team?**

Answer: No.

**Question 7: Who is the lead for implementing sexual safety? (job title and directorate)**

Answer: Job Title: Sexual Safety Lead  
Directorate: Clinical.

**Question 8: Who is the lead for managing allegations against staff? (job title and directorate)**

Answer: Job Title: Associate Director People Business Partnering.  
Directorate: People & Culture.

Job title: PALS and Complaints Manager  
Directorate: Governance and Risk Management.

**Question 9: Who manages the child protection invites i.e. centrally, operational teams, safeguarding etc?**



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Answer: The operational teams.

### **Safeguarding Adults**

#### **Question 10: Total number of Safeguarding Adult referrals made to the local authority per quarter from Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 10 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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East London NHS Foundation Trust does not record the information requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

#### **Question 11: Total number of referrals by Care Act category of abuse per quarter from Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 11 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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#### **Question 12: Total Number of Prevent Referral Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust made seven Prevent referrals.

#### **Question 13: Total Number of Allegations against staff referred to the local authority between April 2024 to March 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 13 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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#### **Question 14: Total Number of allegations against staff managed internally between April 2024 and March 2025**

Answer: 22.



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## **Safeguarding Children**

### **Question 15: Safeguarding children referrals made to the local authority per quarter from Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 15 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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### **Question 16: Referrals by Children Act category of abuse per quarter from Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 16 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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### **Question 17: Total Number of Children Early Help referrals per quarter from Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 17 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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### **Question 18: Total Number of Prevent Referrals Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust made seven Prevent referrals.

### **Question 19: Total Number of Allegations against staff referred to the LADO between April 2024 to March 2025**

Answer: 13.

### **Question 20: Total Number of allegations against staff managed internally between April 2024 and March 2025**



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Answer: 20.

### **Child Protection Engagement Data**

#### **Question 21: Total % of engagement (attendance or report) with Children protection Initial Case Conferences per Quarter Q1 2024 through to Q4 2025**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 21 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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#### **Question 22: Please clarify the % proportion of attendance per quarter**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 22 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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#### **Question 23: Please clarify the % proportion of reports send instead of attendance**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 23 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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#### **Question 24: Total % of engagement with Review Child Protection Conferences per Quarter**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 24 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 25: Please clarify the % proportion of attendance per quarter**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 25 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 26: Please clarify the % proportion of reports send instead of attendance**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 26 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Domestic Homicide Review (DHR), SAR's and Rapid Reviews**

**Question 27: Total Number of DHR's which the organisation has contributed to April 2024 to March 2025**

Answer: 14.

**a. Themes of DHR's in this time frame.**

Answer: Lack of routine enquiry.  
Poor communication between agencies.  
Poor identification of abuse.  
Lack of professional curiosity.

**Question 28: Total Number of SAR's which the organisation has contributed to April 2024 to March 2025**

**Clarification: Any Safeguarding Adult Reviews which has required a report and or input from the organisation within this time frame. This is to support safeguarding (providers) to evidence work coming into team, for us to understand the variety.**

Answer: 16 SARS for Adult Safeguarding reviews.

**a. Themes of the SAR's in this time frame**

**Clarification: this is in regard to any area of learning that has been identified in more than 1 SAR recommendation which may identify a**



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**theme such as self-neglect, multi-agency working, homelessness, co-occurring conditions, Mental Capacity Act application etc.**

- Answer:
- Improve professional curiosity and persistence in safeguarding work.
  - Ensure staff understand thresholds and escalation routes.
  - Improve documentation and information sharing between practitioners.
  - Enhance mental capacity and risk assessment procedures.
  - Improve transitional safeguarding through robust protocols and timely, multi-agency care planning.
  - Develop guidance and workforce development on self-neglect identification and intervention.
  - Enhance inter-agency communication and information-sharing protocols.
  - Strengthen multi-agency collaboration through shared audits and governance structures.

**Question 29: Total Number of Rapid Reviews which the organisation has contributed to April 2024 to March 2025**

Answer: 17.

**a. Themes of the RR in this time Frame**

Answer: Top three themes – Domestic Abuse, Child Sexual Abuse, Serious Youth Violence. Others are: Neglect, Non-Accidental Injury (Physical), Parental Mental Health, Child Mental Health.

**Training**

**Question 30: Do you delivery DASH training? Are your trainers accredited?**

Answer: No. The Trust does not deliver DASH training and our staff are not accredited.

**Question 31: Please provide training compliance as of Q4 2025 for the below:**

- Children Safeguarding Level 1**
- Children Safeguarding Level 2**
- Children Safeguarding Level 3**
- Adults Safeguarding Level 1**
- Adults Safeguarding Level 2**
- Adults Safeguarding Level 3**
- Prevent**
- MCA**

Answer: Please see table below:

<b>Certification</b>	<b>Compliance</b>
Mental Capacity Act - 3 Years	81.43%
Mental Capacity Act & Mental Health Act - S12 and AC Doctors	93.02%
Safeguarding Adults Level 2 - 3 Years	93.43%
Safeguarding Adults Level 3 - 3 Years	88.76%
Safeguarding Children Level 1 - 3 Years	92.47%
Safeguarding Children Level 2 - 3 Years	95.08%
Safeguarding Children Level 3 - 3 Years	88.74%
Workshop to Raise Awareness of Prevent - 3 Years	83.55%



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Basic Prevent Awareness Training - 3 years

94.36%

Please note the Trust does not assign level 1 safeguarding adults for our staff. The minimum requirement is set at level 2.



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