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I am responding to your request for information received 26 June 2025. 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.

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Request: Regarding the Great British Energy funding of £100 million made available for the NHS to install rooftop solar panels. With reference to the specific funding awarded to your Trust, could you answer the following questions:

Question 1: Is this funding to the Trust new capital or is it accounting for funding already provided through other schemes such as the Public Sector Decarbonisation Scheme?

Answer: New funding.

Question 2: Is this funding to the Trust going to be used on future solar projects, or is it going to cover projects already underway or already delivered?

Answer: Projects were identified as part of the funding submission.

Question 3: Can you provide the name and contact details for the senior members of staff that are:

- The sponsor for this solar project within the Trust
- The manager that will be responsible for delivering the project

Answer: Sponsor within Trust and manager responsible for project:
David Stevens, Director of Estates, Facilities & Capital Development.
Email: david.stevens18@nhs.net

Question 4: In addition to the above can you provide names and contact details for the head of Estates and the Energy Manager at the Trust?

Answer: Head of Estates:
David Stevens, Director of Estates, Facilities & Capital Development.
Email: david.stevens18@nhs.net

The Trust has reviewed question 4 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 employ a full time energy manager. This is part of the duties of a member of staff without this title.

Question 5: Can you explain the milestones, approvals that the Trust will need to achieve in order to both secure the funding and then begin the procurement process?

Answer: The funding is secured.
The procurement process is being led by another NHS Trust that East London NHS Foundation Trust (ELFT) has partnered with.

Question 6: Has the Trust, or a 3rd party on behalf of the Trust, carried out an appropriate analysis/study of suitable rooftop space at the Trust for the solar installation?



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- **If a 3rd party has carried this out, can you provide the name of the organisation?**

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 6 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. Such information will have been part of the procurement process and ELFT is not leading on this.

Question 7: Has there been any guidance or instruction to the Trust regarding the procurement route to be followed, i.e. a framework, or open procurement, and if so what is that guidance?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 7 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. ELFT is partnering with another NHS trust who will be leading the procurement process.

Question 8: If the answer to the previous question is no, has the Trust decided on a procurement approach and if so, what is it?

Answer: Not applicable.

Question 9: If the answer to the previous question is no, when will the Trust be clear on the procurement process to be followed?

Answer: Not applicable.

Question 10: Has there been a timetable set, either by GBE or NHSE or the Trust, for the timetable through procurement, installation and commissioning? What is that timetable?

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

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the Trust has partnered with, and therefore we don't currently have access to this timetable as they are dealing with it on the Trust's behalf.

Question 11: Has there been a date set by GBE or NHSE by which the funding provided has to be utilised?

Answer: End of this financial year – 2025/26.

Question 12: Does the Trust have any solar PV installed already, prior to the GBE funding?

If so; at which sites is it installed; what is the kWp for each site; when was it installed and what was the name of the organisation that installed it?

Answer: No.

Question 13: Does the Trust have further plans for solar pv in the future, in addition to that funded by GBE, as part of its Green Plan and delivery of Net Zero objectives? If so, what stage are those plans at?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 13 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.



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