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I am responding to your request for information received 23 September 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

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Request:

General Information

Question 1: The total number of radiology scans performed at NHS hospitals in the last 12 months, broken down by modality (CT, MRI, and nuclear medicine scans).

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 2: A detailed breakdown of the scans performed by body part for each of the above modalities (For example CT head, MRI Spine, bone scan etc) at each trust.

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Question 3: The total number of outsourced scans for reporting purposes, categorized by modality (CT, MRI, and nuclear medicine) for each hospital / trust.

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

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Outsourcing and Teleradiology

Question 4: Whether any radiology scans are outsourced to external providers by the hospitals.



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Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Question 5: The percentage of scans outsourced for each modality, if applicable at each hospital.

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Question 6: The names of the external providers contracted for outsourced radiology reporting to each NSH hospital.

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Question 7: The cost per scan for outsourced services, broken down by modality and body part.

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Financial Information

Question 8: The total expenditure on outsourced radiology reporting services in the last financial year per trust.

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Question 9: Whether there are fixed pricing agreements between teleradiology providers and the hospitals, and if so, the details of these agreements to include start and finish dates and the cost in pounds.

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Contracts and Agreements

Question 10: Any active contracts the hospitals have with teleradiology companies, including: a. The names of the contracted providers. b. The start and end dates of the contracts. c. The performance or quality metrics outlined in the contracts.

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Backlogs and Reporting Times

Question 11: The current backlog for radiology scan reporting, broken down by modality and body part at each NHS trust.

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Question 12: The average reporting time for in-house radiology scans, categorized by modality.

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Question 13: The average reporting time for outsourced scans.

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Question 14: Whether specific modalities or body parts have more significant backlogs.

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Additional Details

Question 15: Any delays in reporting radiology scans over the last 12 months and the primary causes of such delays.

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Question 16: Whether the hospital has plans to reduce reliance on outsourcing for radiology reporting, and if so, the details of these strategies.

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