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I am responding to your request for information received 18<sup>th</sup> October 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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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza  
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**Request:**

**Question 1: Name of NHS Trust/Foundation Trust:**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 2: Has your organisation reviewed NHS Estates Technical Bulletin 2024/3 with the specific note on non-tuberculous mycobacteria?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 3: Does your organisation treat any of the “high-risk” patient groups listed in the NHS Estates Technical Bulletin 2024/3? Tick all that apply**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 4: Do you have a Water Safety Group or equivalent multidisciplinary body for any water-related issues?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 5: Do you currently conduct routine environmental water testing for NTM?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 6: Does your Water Safety Plan include specific controls for NTM, separate from general Legionella/Pseudomonas measures?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 7: If NTM testing is undertaken, which laboratory/method is used, and is it UKAS-accredited to ISO 17025 for NTM testing or according to the methods suggested in the bulletin?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 8: If you have tested, have you detected NTM in water samples from patient care areas in the last 3 years?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 9: Which control and/or remedial measures are you currently using to manage waterborne pathogens in your organisation?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 10: In the last 5 years, have you made any design changes in high-risk areas specifically to reduce waterborne infection risk (e.g., removal or relocation of sinks, drainage modifications, point-of-entry filtration)?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.

**Question 11: Are you planning any major refurbishment in the next 5 years and/or is your organization part of the NHS New Hospital Programme?**

Answer: Please see Appendix 1.



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