

05 August 2022

**Our Ref:** RFI 45486

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Information in Relation to Trust Health Visitor Vacancies and Employment**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for information relating to above which you requested on 13 July 2022.

A response to each of the questions raised has been provided by the Human Resources & Corporate Affairs Directorate and is attached in Appendix A.

If you are unhappy as to how this request has been handled, you have the right to seek a review within the Trust in the first instance. You should write to the Information Governance Department, Lough House, Ards Community Hospital ([informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net](mailto:informationgovernance@setrust.hscni.net)) within two months of the date of this response and your complaint will be considered and a response provided, within 20 working days of receipt.

If, after receiving a response, you remain unhappy, you can refer your complaint to the Information Commissioner at The Information Commissioner's Office –Northern Ireland, 3rd Floor, 14 Cromac Place, Belfast, BT7 2JB. It is important to note that if you refer any matter to the Information Commissioner, you will need to show evidence of having gone through the Trust's internal review procedure to try to resolve the matter with the Trust in the first instance.

If you have any queries about this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

Yours sincerely

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**Rebecca Manning**  
**Information Governance Assistant**

**Q1. I wish to request the following information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, relating to the number of health visitors employed within specific geographical localities across the South Eastern Health and Social Care (HSC) Trust, the number of vacant posts in these localities, and the number of vacant caseloads.**

**Within the following localities/health visiting teams in the South Eastern HSC Trust area:**

- **Hillsborough**
- **Lisburn**
- **Dunmurry**
- **Ballynahinch**
- **Crossgar**
- **Saintfield**
- **Downpatrick**
- **Newcastle**
- **Castlewellan**
- **Clough and Dundrum**
- **Portaferry**
- **Ballywalter**
- **Newtownards**
- **Donaghadee**
- **Comber**
- **Bangor**
- **Holywood**
- **Lakewood Centre**

**A breakdown of the following information is requested:**

- a. The number of whole time equivalent (WTE) health visitors currently working within each locality; and**
- b. The number of current vacant health visitor posts (WTE) in each locality; and**
- c. The current number of vacant caseloads in each locality.**

**A1. Please refer to Attachment 1 - Health Visitor Staff within the Trust Area.**