

31 March 2022

**Our Ref:** RFI 43136

Dear

**Freedom of Information Act 2000  
Breakdown of all Properties having asbestos**

I am writing to confirm that the South Eastern Health & Social Care Trust (the Trust) has now completed its search for the information relating to the above which you requested on 16 February 2022. Please accept my apologies for the delay in providing this response.

Please find your questions listed in Appendix 1. Please find a response to Q1.1, Q1.2, Q1.4, Q1.5 in the attached spreadsheet (Attachment 1).

I wish to advise you that some of the information cannot be released for the reasons given in below:

Q1.3. Description of quantity of asbestos found e.g volume/weight

The information requested is not held on a central information system, to provide the information for every instance of asbestos would require a manual review of records.

This would exceed the 'Appropriate Limit' as defined by the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust therefore exempts the release of this information under Section 12(1).

12.(1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a Refusal Notice.

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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**Louise McNamara**  
**Information Governance Assistant**

***Q1. Under FOI please provide me with a breakdown of all properties currently used and registered within your health trust catchment areas as having asbestos.***

***Please Provide a Microsoft excel spreadsheet breakdown with the following column headings:***

***Q1.1 Name/location of building***

***Q1.2 Address***

***Q1.4 Current status e.g low risk, high risk***

***Q1.5 Is building in use?***

A1. Please see attached spread sheet – Attachment 1.