

Information Governance

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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 5 April, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I seek the following information about the public health funerals your organisation has paid for in the last financial year (2016/17).

1. How many of these funerals did you arrange in the last financial year?
2. Would you list all funerals with the following details for each: the date, whether the body was buried or cremated, whether a funeral service was held, the total cost (including all disbursements such as crematorium fees and burial plots. And excluding any offset of monies recovered from the estates of the deceased), and the funeral director used. I do not require any personal information such as name or date of birth of the deceased.
3. How were the funerals providers found - on a case-by-case basis or part of a tendered contract?
4. If part of a tendered contract, when did the contract begin and when is it scheduled to be renewed?

Response:

1. 0
2. 0
3. On a case-by-case basis or according to any known wishes.

4. No contract.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance