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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made to the Trust's Communications Team in relation to Sustainability and Transformation Plan process which is being dealt with under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1) Please could you provide the names of any external organisations/private firms paid to help draw up the Sustainability and Transformation plans delivered to NHS England in June/July and October 2016?

2) Please could you detail the nature of the services provided by the external organisation/private firms and the total financial costs associated with their involvement?

1) In Kent and Medway, Carnall Farrar Ltd and GE Healthcare Finnamore were commissioned to help draw up the Sustainability and Transformation Plan. MGWR Ltd was commissioned for interim day-to-day programme management support regarding the development of the plan for submission.

2) These firms provided capacity, skills, experience and expertise that wasn't available/able to be freed up within existing STP member organisations in the areas of modelling and analytics; strategy development; and programme management. Total costs incurred from their involvement in development and submission of the STP was £458,500.