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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Corporate Departments.

You asked:

- 1. Do you have a corporate affairs department? If so – could you please send a structure chart or, if not, details of what disciplines are included within that department e.g. Legal Services/Communications etc.*
- 2. Do you have a corporate governance department? If so – could you please send a structure chart or, if not, details of what disciplines are included within that department e.g. Legal Services/Communications etc.*

Trust response:

1. The Trust does not have a department with a specific title of “corporate affairs”, and the functions that some NHS provider organisations may have under such a department are located in other departments within the Trust’s structure. For example, the Communications Department is within the portfolio of the Director of Strategy, Planning and Partnerships, Legal Services is overseen by the Associate Director, Quality Governance, for which the Chief Nurse is ultimately responsible.
2. The Trust does not have a department with a specific title of “corporate governance”, but the office of the Trust Secretary oversees and supports the Trust’s corporate governance arrangements. The below structure chart shows the reporting arrangements for the staff within the Trust Secretary’s office.

