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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 Kent & Medway STP forwarded to us by the STP for our administration service.

*You asked:*

- 1. Will the cancer changes planned for Kent and Medway include the closure or centralisation of any services, centres or units?*
- 2. What are the 'personalised care packages'?*
- 3. Will personalised care budgets be a part of the plans?*
- 4. Will the plans require investment? If so how much, and where will the funding come from?*
- 5. Will non-NHS providers be involved?*
- 5. Is there a detailed plan that we can look at? We have already looked at this, but would like to see something more detailed at a local level:*  
*<https://www.longtermplan.nhs.uk/areas-of-work/cancer/>*

STP response:

1. This is work that has not yet been undertaken and therefore under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act it is not reasonable to speculate.
2. For cancer, as with many other conditions, we want to ensure that treatment and subsequent care is personalised to the patients' needs and individual requirements. In cancer this means that patients should have holistic needs assessments and treatment plans developed so that there is absolute clarity about what that patient will receive as part of their care.
3. This is yet to be determined and therefore under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act it is not reasonable to speculate.
4. Should additional funding be required this will either be identified nationally or as part of a local business case.

5. This is not known and therefore under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act it is not reasonable to speculate.

6. The detailed plan is currently in development as part of the requirements of the Long Term Plan submission and therefore under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act it is not reasonable to speculate.