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## Freedom of Information Act 2000

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

Having carried out a review of the Trust's previous responses please find attached the final Trust response in regards to questions 6 and 7 below.

6. What is your current total budget for pathology services (in GBP) including laboratory staff?

**7.** In the year 2010, what was your total budget for pathology services (in GBP) including laboratory staff?

The Trust is going through the process of preparing a tender to go out to the market for a third party partner and have been since December 2015. The Trust cannot disclose the financial information currently. The timeline on this is likely to be going out to market in September/October. The Trust is working in partnership with another Trust and we have employed the services of the NHS Special Projects Team from NHS East of England to facilitate the process.

The staff who are involved in this process have all signed confidentiality agreements and are unable to say more than the above at present.