Maidstone and MHS Tunbridge Wells

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 4709 and 4782

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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 Insourced and outsourced ophthalmology services.

Please accept our apologies for the lengthy delay in responding to your requests. Please note this response is in relation to both the above numbered requests.

You asked:

I understand your trust uses external providers to deliver some aspects of your trusts ophthalmology service. Please kindly outline which suppliers you utilise and the total amount spent for Insourced or outsourced ophthalmology services during the months of November 2017 – March 2018:

Trust response:

	Total Spend £'000				
Ophthalmology Insource/Outsource Supplier Name	Nov-17	Dec-17	Jan-18	Feb-18	Mar-18
King's Hill Opticians	998	1,223	1,123	1,247	1,247
Consultant Eye Specialist Partnership	7,105	10,405	6,845	14,045	9,535
Nial O'Kane	0	1,871	1,871	2,619	1,996
Osbourne Harle	1,621	1,746	1,372	1,372	1,621

The highlighted are community opticians and are for patients suitable for follow up in the community.