

Ref: FOI/GS/ID 5613 follow up

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### **Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your follow up email regarding FOI request reference FOI/GS/ID 5613 and the information disclosed in relation to the Projected number of beds, options 1 and 2 East Kent Plans.

*Your original request asked:*

*1. Can you please provide the projected number of beds of all types in WHH and QEQM under options one and two of the east Kent plans?*

*2. Please break down by department or purpose.*

*3. Please provide a comparison with the current number of beds of all types.*

The STP response was:

Thank you for your FOI request. Further to the pre-consultation engagement events held between October 2018 and January 2019, the programme has moved into the pre-consultation business case (PCBC) development phase.

The information that you have requested is still draft and in development; it will be published as part of the PCBC documents at the launch of a public consultation.

*Your follow up request asked:*

*You say the plans are at a draft stage, but you are in the pre-consultation phase and you have been working on this since 2014.*

*Therefore, I ask if you can provide your draft plans in relation to this request.*

The STP response:

Under Section 22 of the Freedom of Information Act - Information intended for future publication.

(1) Information is exempt information if—

(a) the information is held by the public authority with a view to its publication, by the authority or any other person, at some future date (whether determined or not),

(b) the information was already held with a view to such publication at the time when the request for information was made, and

(c) it is reasonable in all the circumstances that the information should be withheld from disclosure until the date referred to in paragraph (a).

(2) The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would involve the disclosure of any information (whether or not already recorded) which falls within subsection (1).

Therefore the previous response to this query stands. Information on bed numbers is in draft and will be published as part of publishing the pre-consultation business case.