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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 fraud and scams.

You asked:

1. The amount during each calendar year for the last five years your trust has lost to fraud and scams. This would include the year to date as one of those five years.

2. For each fraud or scam of more than £500 the nature of the fraud or scam, particularly:

a. The date the money was lost

b. How much was lost

c. How the money was lost - the precise methodology the scammers used

d. What efforts were made to reclaim the lost funds

e. How successful those efforts were.

f. Who the perpetrator was, if that is known

Should there be a large number of frauds which qualify for question 2, to the point where costs for the request are likely to over-run, I would like the details for the five largest in terms of losses, please.

Trust response:

1.

17/18 - £7,638

18/19 – Nil value substantiated

19/20 – Approx. £200

20/21 – Nil value substantiated

21/22 to date - Nil value substantiated

2. The Trust is applying Section 31 of the Act to this question as it may allow any fraudsters to judge if their scam or fraud has been detected and could provide details of investigation methodology and techniques: