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## Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 Ref no: FOI-3901-LSC

Thank you for your request dated 27 February 2024.

We can confirm that the ICB does hold the information you requested.

Please find our response to your questions below:

1, Please can you tell me how much Lancashire and South Cumbria Integrated Care Board has spent on legal fees since December 2022?

I would appreciate if you could provide a figure that specifically relates to how much money you have spent on any legal fees and advice relating to the Withnell Health Centre situation since that date but if you cannot specify the fees regarding that matter alone please tell me the cost of all legal fees since December 2022.

## Our response:

26 March 2024

In relation to invoices from Dec 2022 to date on the following cost centres for charges for Withnell Health Centre Procurement Legal Fees, the following figures are available:

2022/23 (December to March) - £4,986.00

2023/24 (to date) - £9,402.04

## **Right of Appeal**

Should you require any further information or clarification regarding this response please do not hesitate to contact us. If you are dissatisfied with the response, you are entitled to request an internal review which should be formally requested in writing and must be within 40 working days from the date this response was issued.

## To request an internal review

You can request this by contacting the FOI team by email at <u>MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net</u> or by post to Leyland House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR266TR, specifying why you require a review.

If you are not content with the outcome of your internal review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the CCGs FOI complaints procedure. The ICO can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF <u>www.ico.gov.uk</u>

Yours sincerely

Sam Proffitt – Chief Finance Officer

On behalf of Kevin Lavery ICB Chief Executive