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Dear

**Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**

**Ref no: FOI-2441-LSC**

Further to your email dated the 21 September 2022 in which you requested an internal review of the responses provided to FOI-2441-LSC under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. We have reviewed this response and can confirm that this is now concluded.

Your original request was:

- As you have just informed me that all Lancashire CCG deficit has been written off can you provide me with the cost of all redundancy package that will be made.

Our response was:


There were no CCG deficits reported or written off as at the end of June 2022. At the present time there are no plans for any redundancy packages to be paid.

Following receipt of our response, you requested a review on 21 September 2022 stating:

*I enclose a copy of a meeting West Lancashire CCG had on the 13/5/22 where the chief financial officer inform the board that the ICB has a plan*

*to address the 51 million deficit [but the ICB informed me in there FOI reply there is no deficit reported, you have mislead me]*

*So what is the plan before replying remember your good governance code.*

	<p>Paul Kingan confirmed that an early planning figure appeared on table 3 for continuing healthcare with further work and detail required. Ian Crabtree will be included in the development of this in the future.</p> <p>Doug Soper welcomed the report and highlighted table 3 and the £51m risk most of which is unidentified. Paul Kingan agreed this was a risk at the time the plan was written. There is a plan for the ICB to address this and achieve savings to breakeven in 2023. Also, to achieve medium to longer term sustainability. The new interim chief executive officer is aware of the financial challenges and emphasises delivery of the programmes. Andrew Bennett confirmed the intension of the ICB is to focus on a small number of priorities to deliver rather than be overstretched. The 7% reduction (over time) in allocation for LSC will be an issue and Paul Kingan confirmed that the national team will continue to monitor this as the formula does not take into account the legacy Covid pressures.</p> <p>The Governing Body: approved the financial plan and the 3-month budget 2022-23</p>		
<p><b>nsent items</b> 22/13</p>	<p>Minutes of sub-committees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Audit Committee – April 2022</li><li>- Quality and Safety Committee – April 2022</li><li>- Primary Care Commissioning Committee – March 2022</li><li>- West Lancashire Partnership – March 2022</li></ul> <p>Other minutes/action notes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Lancashire Health and Wellbeing Board – March 2022</li></ul>		

We have considered our original response and previous information provided to your request:

FOI-2392-LSC where you requested: Under the FOI act, can you provide me with what each Lancashire CCG has carried over to the new ICB.

The extract you have provided does not mention a deficit, these were early planning figures for Continuing Health Care (CHC) and other schemes as part of the financial risk. Therefore, our position remains unchanged as there were no deficits reported.

We have answered this in full and have no further comments to make, therefore any further requests received regarding this topic will not be responded to.

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

[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

**On behalf of Kevin Lavery  
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