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Dear

**Re: Your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000**  
**Ref no: FOI-3736-LSC**

Thank you for your request dated 22 December 2023.

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

Please find our response to your questions below:

Q 1	Your Question:  Have you detailed within your 10-year vision plan, a strategy to deliver your responsibilities against population health management and reducing health inequalities? Does this strategy include a breakdown of the better care fund allocations?
	Our Response:  <b>A section 21 exemption has been applied as a link to the Joint Forward Plan is publicly available:</b> <a href="https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/7416/8977/5384/LSC_ICB_Joint_Forward_Plan_2023.pdf">https://www.healthierlsc.co.uk/application/files/7416/8977/5384/LSC_ICB_Joint_Forward_Plan_2023.pdf</a>  <b>This plan does not include a breakdown of the better care fund allocations.</b>
Q 2	Your Question:  If yes please detail any further funding and/or initiatives
	Our Response:  <b>N/A</b>

Q3	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Do you run any procurement tenders with funding earmarked for the BCF and if so can you list the services and suppliers procured and the value of the tenders.</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>No procurement tenders are run by the ICB earmarked for the BCF.</b></p>
Q4	<p>Your Question:</p> <p>Could you give us a breakdown of each minimum allocation to the HWBs in your ICP for the last 5 years (if pre ICP then please use Clinical Commissioning Group data)</p> <p>Our Response:</p> <p><b>A section 21 exemption has been applied as the BCF Minimum Contributions can be found via searches for the periods required at the links below:</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/better-care-fund-2023-25-minimum-nhs-contributions-from-integrated-care-boards/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/better-care-fund-2023-25-minimum-nhs-contributions-from-integrated-care-boards/</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/better-care-fund-2022-23-minimum-nhs-contributions-from-integrated-care-boards/">https://www.england.nhs.uk/publication/better-care-fund-2022-23-minimum-nhs-contributions-from-integrated-care-boards/</a></p>

### **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 [MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net](mailto:MLCSU.FOITeam@nhs.net) or by post to Leyland House, Lancashire Business Park, Leyland, PR26 6TR, 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, Wycliff House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF  
[www.ico.gov.uk](http://www.ico.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Proffitt', with a large, stylized initial 'S'.

**Sam Proffitt**  
**ICB Chief Finance Officer**  
**On behalf of Kevin Lavery ICB Chief Executive**

Chair - David Flory CBE

Chief Executive - Kevin Lavery

