

FOI Disclosure

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Information requested:

I am making this request under freedom of information legislation, for information relating to employee/staff networks.

For your organisation, can you please provide me a list of:

Employee/Staff Networks recognised by your organisation.

Details of any funding provided to that network by your organisation or external source e.g. charity and how that funding has been spent for the past three financial years, broken down by year where possible.

Details of any administrative support provided to the organisation, including a breakdown of time/banding of employee providing said support.

Any facility/protected time that the network lead (chair, vice chair etc) gets as part of their role.

Details of any executive/senior management responsibility for the network.

A copy of the terms of reference/memorandum of understanding/network agreement for each network recognised by your organisation, where this document exists.

Please note, I am not looking for the personal details of junior employees. If the network has a shared email address, please provide this.

Response:

In May 2025 the State Hospital received similar questions to this request. Whilst we have yet to publish this response, we believe that it answers some of the questions raised in this request.

We have enclosed our response to FOI/004/25, which we consider answers the following:

A list of Employee/Staff Networks recognised by your organisation,

Funding and expenditure details,

Details of any administrative support,

Information about protected time, and

Email contact details.

As none of the networks are hosted by the State Hospital, there is no individual within our organisation responsible for them. However, Stephen Wallace, Director of Workforce, is the Executive Lead for Equalities within our organisation.

We give notice that we do not hold any terms of reference, memorandum of understanding or network agreements for the networks. (FOISA S17)