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Dear Applicant

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information – NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (NENC ICB)

Thank you for your request received on 15 July 2026 for information held by NHS North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care Board (the ICB) under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The ICB covers the areas of County Durham, Newcastle Gateshead, North Cumbria, North Tyneside, Northumberland, South Tyneside, Sunderland, and Tees Valley.

Please find the information you requested on behalf of the ICB as follows.

Your Request

I am writing to request the following recorded information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

1. Please provide links to the three most recent local LeDeR annual reports published for your ICB. If a report is not available online, please provide an electronic copy.

If the present ICB was established by combining previous ICBs or inherited any geographical area or records from another ICB(s), please treat this request as also covering the three most recent local LeDeR annual reports published by every relevant predecessor ICB. This includes reports published before the present ICB existed and under a predecessor's name.

Where an abolished predecessor ICB was divided between more than one successor ICB, please provide its reports if they are held by, or were transferred to, your ICB—even if only part of its former area transferred to your ICB.

2. Please provide the number of LeDeR reviews awaiting completion as at 30 June 2026, given separately as:
 - a. initial reviews; and
 - b. focused reviews.

For the avoidance of doubt, this request covers information held directly by the ICB and information held on its behalf by any organisation commissioned or otherwise engaged to undertake or administer LeDeR reviews, for the purposes of section 3(2)(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

3. Please provide the total budget allocated specifically to delivering LeDeR in each of the following financial years:
 - 2024/25;
 - 2025/26; and
 - 2026/27.

Where the present ICB did not exist in 2024/25 or 2025/26, please provide the budget separately for each relevant predecessor ICB and the 2026/27 budget for the present ICB. If LeDeR does not have a separately identifiable budget, please confirm this.

Our Response

1. The links to the three most recent local LeDeR annual reports published are:
 - Latest NENC ICB LeDeR Annual Reports 2024:
[LeDeR 2024 Easy Read Annual Report FINAL](#)
[LeDeR Annual Report 2024 FINAL](#)
[Learning into Action Report 2024 FINAL](#)
 - NENC ICB LeDeR Annual Report 2023:
[LeDeR Annual Report 2023 final](#)
[Annual report easy read summary 2023 FINAL](#)
[Learning into action 2023 FINAL](#)
 - NENC ICB LeDeR Annual Report 2022/2023:
[Annual Report 2022-2023](#)
[Easy read short summary 2022-2023](#)
2. LeDeR reviews awaiting completion as at 30 June 2026:
 - a. There were 118 initial reviews awaiting completion.
 - b. There were 42 focused reviews to date awaiting completion. Please note this figure includes 14 reviews on hold pending other statutory processes.
3. On this occasion it is not possible to provide the requested information. In line with your rights under section 1(1)(a) of the Act to be informed whether information is held, we confirm the ICB does not hold any of the information requested. LeDeR does not have a separately identifiable budget.

In accordance with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response which will protect your anonymity will be posted on the NHS ICB website <https://northeastnorthcumbria.nhs.uk/>.

If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number or at the above address.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to request a review of our decision, you should write to the Information Governance Manager using the contact details at the top of this letter quoting the appropriate reference number.

If you are not content with the outcome your review, you do have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner as established by section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Generally, the Information Commissioner cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the ICB's complaints procedure.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF or www.ico.org.uk.

Any information we provide following your request under the Freedom of Information Act will not confer an automatic right for you to re-use that information, for example to publish it. If you wish to re-use the information that we provide and you do not specify this in your initial application for information then you must make a further request for its re-use as per the Re-Use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015 www.legislation.gov.uk. This will not affect your initial information request.

Yours faithfully

Information Governance Support Officer

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