

Freedom of Information Act 2000 disclosure log entry

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20-21076

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10/08/2020

Subject

Trust Arrangements for Staff Getting to Work in Winter

Details of enquiry

Please can I have a response to the following question?

1. What plans do you have in place to support staff with travel to and from work between 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021, in case public transport is disrupted due to severe weather conditions and/or COVID-19 lockdowns, locally or nationwide?

[Such as: booking hotel rooms; hiring private accommodation; paying for taxis; creating special rest rooms]

Example of data:

Q1. What plans do you have in place to support staff with travel to and from work between 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021, in case public transport is disrupted due to severe weather conditions and/or COVID-19 lockdowns, locally or nationwide?

A1. We are booking hotel rooms within walking distance to staff's place of work.

Response Sent

Your request for information has been handled under the Freedom of Information Act. Our response is below.

You asked 'What plans do you have in place to support staff with travel to and from work between 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021, in case public transport is disrupted due to severe weather conditions and/or COVID-19 lockdowns, locally or nationwide?'

Our answer is as follows: Please refer to the Trust's major incident plan which covers the impacts of inclement weather:

https://tavistockandportman.nhs.uk/documents/74/Major_Incident_Plan_Dec_2019.pdf which covers the general approach.

The Tavistock and Portman is a specialist mental health trust. Since the beginning of the pandemic the Trust has implemented remote working for its clinical workforce which it continues to utilise. For a small minority of staff that may be required to travel to the Trust's site there is onsite parking and ample bicycle parking facilities.