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Subject: Car Parking Charges

REQUEST

1. How much money the Trust made from car parking charges in 2022/23 (i.e. the year ending March 2023) and in 2023/24 (i.e. the year ending March 2024). For both years, could you please give:
 - a. the overall total?
 - b. if possible, separate figures for staff and visitor / patient parking?
2. How much money was made from car parking fines in 2022/23 and 2023/24. For both years, could you please give:
 - a. the overall total?
 - b. if possible, separate figures for staff and visitor / patient parking?
3. Did you increase the cost of parking in your car parks from 2022/23 to 2023/24?
 - a. If yes, please provide a breakdown of the increase(s)?
4. Did you charge for disabled parking in 2023/24?
5. Were any of your car parks managed by a private firm in 2023/24?
 - a. If yes, what proportion of revenue from parking income did the firm take?
 - b. What proportion of revenue from parking fines did the firm take?

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

- 1. How much money the Trust made from car parking charges in 2022/23 (i.e. the year ending March 2023) and in 2023/24 (i.e. the year ending March 2024). For both years, could you please give:**

Southport and Ormskirk response

- a. **the overall total?**

Income generated from car parking charges was;

2022/23 £1.751m
2023/24 £1.104m

- b. **if possible, separate figures for staff and visitor / patient parking?**

2022/23 Staff - £960k Visitor £790k

2023/24 Staff – £177K Visitor – £927k

This income is not profit and is used to cover the cost of car park provision, including staffing and maintenance.

St. Helens and Knowsley response

- a. **the overall total?**

Income generated from car parking charges;
2022/23 £1.836m
2023/24 £1.877m

- b. **if possible, separate figures for staff and visitor / patient parking?**

2022/23 Staff	£844k	Visitors	£992k
2023/24 Staff	£853k	Visitors	£1.023m

This income is not profit and is used to cover the cost of car park provision, including staffing and maintenance.

- 2. How much money was made from car parking fines in 2022/23 and 2023/24. For both years, could you please give:**

the overall total?

if possible, separate figures for staff and visitor / patient parking?

Southport and Ormskirk response

None – the trust works with an external car park management company who retain any fines levied.

St. Helens and Knowsley response

There were no car parking fines issued at St Helens and Whiston Hospitals sites for 2022/23 and 2023/24 for either staff or patients/visitors.

- 3. Did you increase the cost of parking in your car parks from 2022/23 to 2023/24?**

If yes, please provide a breakdown of the increase(s)?

No

- 4. Did you charge for disabled parking in 2023/24?**

In line with government guidance disabled staff, patients and visitors are not charged for car parking.

- 5. Were any of your car parks managed by a private firm in 2023/24?**

If yes, what proportion of revenue from parking income did the firm take?

What proportion of revenue from parking fines did the firm take?

Southport and Ormskirk response

UKPC provide parking control services at Southport & Ormskirk Hospital sites, they retain 100% of revenue from any fines issued.

St. Helens and Knowsley response

St Helens and Whiston Hospital sites are part of a Private Finance Initiative with NewHospitals; the Trusts car parking services are one of the services provided with Medirest the contractor who are engaged to

manage the car parks, this service is part of the overall unitary payment.

Medirest did not receive any revenue from car parking charges and the trust did not levy any fines in this period.