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Subject: Interpreter costs

REQUEST

Please provide me with the following information for the financial years 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23.

1. All expenditure made by your organisation, in every facet of its operations and purview, on translation, interpretation, and language services.
2. Please provide the aggregated total spent by your organisation and then, if possible, please provide this broken down by particular function for which the service was carried out.

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.

Please note the Trust is unable to provide a break down by specific departments.

St Helens and Knowsley:

Financial Year (2020/21)	
Expenditure Type	Expenditure (£)
Foreign language interpretation	£65,917.96
British Sign Language	£19,627.50
Translation	£2,551.65

Financial Year (2021/22)	
Expenditure Type	Expenditure (£)
Foreign language interpretation	£124,867.33
British Sign Language	£26,580.00
Translation	£2,791.21

Financial Year (2022/23)	
Expenditure Type	Expenditure (£)
Foreign language interpretation	£294,725.25
British Sign Language	£34,724.00
Translation	£2,791.21

Southport and Ormskirk:

Financial Year	Expenditure - Gross Values (£)
2020/21	£63,154.86
2021/22	£122,845.14
2022/23	£129,647.20