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Freedom of Information request - FOI8887

Dear Mr Kelly,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST NHS Fife:8887.

Thank you for your request made on 30/06/2025 under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A) for patient transport.

NHS Fife has completed our search for information held in relation to your request and in this case we will be applying an exemption to some of the data.

Exemption: Section 17 – Information not held.

For 2020/21, how much did NHS Fife spend with private taxi firms on non-emergency patient transport?

NHS Fife does not hold the information requested, as are unable to differentiate between emergency and non-emergency private taxi journeys. However, the complete taxi spend for the year was £319,270.

I hope this information is helpful to you. If, however, you are unhappy with any aspect of how NHS Fife have dealt with your request you can ask us to review the handling of your request. Please write to us specifying the reasons you are seeking a review within 40 working days of the date of this correspondence.

NHS Fife will undertake a review of our response which will be led by a senior member of staff who is independent from the original response. If you are not satisfied with the result of the review, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner.

Kind Regards,
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Freedom of Information request - FOI8010

Dear Mr Kelly,

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST NHS Fife:8010.

Thank you for your request made under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOI(S)A) for patient transport.

NHS Fife has completed our search for information held in relation to your request and in this case we will be applying an exemption to some of the data.

Exemption: Section 17 – Information not held.

1. Since the legislation was legally commenced on 1 October 2023, how has NHS Fife paid due regard to community benefit in non-emergency patient contracts, and the extent to which such contracts will improve economic, social or environmental wellbeing, to comply with its duty under Part 10, Section 120 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019?
NHS Fife does not hold the information requested.
2. Since the legislation was legally commenced on 1 October 2023, how has NHS Fife worked with bodies which provide community transport services in its area in providing non-emergency patient transport services to comply with its duty under Part 10, Section 121, Subsection 1 of the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019?
NHS Fife does not hold the information requested.
3. Since the legislation was legally commenced on 1 October 2023, how has NHS Fife reported on:
 - the steps it has taken to comply with these duties under the Transport (Scotland) Act 2019;
 - the extent to which non-emergency patient transport services in its area have been effective and cost-effective; and,
 - further action it proposes to take to comply with these duties?NHS Fife does not hold the information requested.
4. In each of the last 5 years, how much did NHS Fife spend on non-emergency patient transport?
NHS Fife does not hold the information requested, as the information cannot be differentiated between emergency and non-emergency.
5. In each of the last 5 years, how much did NHS Fife spend with private taxi firms on non-emergency patient transport?

Date	Spend
2021/22	£329,190.31
2022/23	£352,646.22
2023/24	£107,101.63
2024/25	£411,295.55
2025/26*	£213,118.12

* To 31/03/2025.

6. In each of the last 5 years, how much did NHS Fife spend with non-profit organisations which provide community transport services on non-emergency patient transport?
NHS Fife does not hold the information requested, as the information cannot be differentiated between emergency and non-emergency.

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