



FOI 2002

Date 27/06/2023

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

1. Has the Trust undertaken and completed any capital construction projects within the last 5 years?

Yes

2. If yes, was a post occupancy evaluation (POE) study carried out after the project's completion?

Estates - Yes

Redevelopment - For redevelopment projects, the Trust generally carry out post project evaluations at 2 key stages, after facilities are commissioned and handed over, and secondly, 3-6 months after go live. Projects over the last 5 years have either been informally evaluated, with general reporting into the Trust executive, or more formally appraised using standard template reporting.

3. If no, what were the reasons for not carrying out a POE?

Redevelopment - Post project evaluation reporting varies, this is often down to lack of clinical capacity/time to feed into the process, or capacity constraints more generally in leading the Evaluation workshops

4. If a POE was carried out did the Trust find the results of this beneficial?

Estates - Yes

Redevelopment - Evaluation is routinely carried out and learning taken into subsequent capital projects. This has led to changes in management and governance arrangements for projects, development of template reporting, a re-think of stakeholder engagement and communications plans, and finally, standardised design which can inform design on other projects (thus saving time and speeding up the design process).

5. If a POE was carried out were the results published and/or shared within the wider NHS?

Estates - No, only project and user groups.

Redevelopment - Results shared through general governance arrangements e.g. to the executive. The trust are currently developing clinical buildings as part of a HM Treasury approved FBC, the PPE for this projects will be fed into NHSE for wider dissemination and learning.

6. Please could contact details be provided of anyone within the Trust who would be willing to take part in a more detailed discussion about POE

Exempt under Section 40 – Personal Information.





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Yours sincerely,

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