



FOI 2141

Date 07/09/2023

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. The number of registered audits/QIP/research projects (planned and completed) since October 2020 at your trust.

None.

2. The number of audits/QIP/research projects that have an environmental/sustainability focus as part of their agenda.

None

3. A breakdown of the topics that the environmental/sustainability audits/QIP/research projects focus on.

New Gas fired Energy Centre at the L&D, rolling LED light replacement programmes on both L&D and Bedford Hospital site.

4. Whether your Trust has a sustainability lead.

Yes.

5. Whether your Trust has a sustainability policy included in clinical governance meetings and junior doctor induction materials.

Currently under review.

6. Does your trust have a sustainability working group/board and how many clinicians are on this?

The group was stood down and we are looking at how we can put it back in place and who would be involved.

To elaborate, an environmental or sustainability focus might include audits/research projects involving any of: carbon reduction/decarbonisation, emissions, energy efficiency, renewables, environmental impact, the use of single use plastics, food waste, sustainability of care models, waste disposal.



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Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer

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