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Dear Mr Rickatson,

Freedom of Information Request

Thank you for your email dated 19 October 2023 addressed to the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care Board (LLR ICB) in respect of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA). Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Integrated Care Board confirm our response below (your request is set out in italics for ease of reference).

- 1. Please provide your ICB definition for “local” in regard to the procurement of goods and services. **Note:** if you do not have a specific definition, please offer guidance to ASC providers as to how they should consider this in regard to supporting your ICB.*

Response: LLR ICB does not have a formal definition of “local” in regard to the procurement of goods and services; however, the LLR ICB generally works on the principle of commissioning services for patients within our LLR ICB geographic footprint. Please also note that the LLR ICB incorporates three distinct “places” aligned to Local Authorities (Leicester City, Leicestershire County and Rutland County), and the place-based groups (which include Health and Social Care partners) have the opportunity to influence local needs and services.

- 2. Please provide your ICB definition for “minority” in instances such as minority-owned businesses and similar contexts. **Note:** if you do not have a specific definition, please offer guidance to ASC providers as to how they should consider this in regard to supporting your ICB.*

Response: LLR ICB do not have a definition for ‘minority’ in regard to the procurement of goods and services. The procurement of goods and services is subject to the correct governance and tender processes which evaluate the service/ specification requirements rather than the ownership of the organisation/ business.

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3. *Please state any energy commitments your ICB are implementing over the next 1-3 years, and what you require from ASC providers to help achieve your ICB commitments to net zero carbon ambitions etc.*

Response: The LLR ICB commitments in regard to energy can be found in our Green Plan [The Green Space for a greener NHS - LLR ICB](#) Pages 22 – 24. Commissioned services form an element of the NHS Carbon Footprint Plus which has a 2045 Net Zero Target.

4. *Please can you provide a copy of, or a link to your current ESG policy statement, guidance, support and/or commitments or requirements as an ICB.*

Response: Please refer to Pages 28-32, specifically the actions around procurement in [The Green Space for a greener NHS - LLR ICB](#).

5. *Please provide information relating to any requirements necessary in respect of ESG for ASC providers to work with your ICB, and state any weighting or scoring this may have on your decision to work with such ASC provider now or in the future.*

Response: Necessary requirements in respect of Environmental, Social, and Government (ESG) are considered on a case-by-case basis when procurements are undertaken, and are published in tender materials available to all prospective bidders who express their interest in a published opportunity.

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If you are still not satisfied following this, you can make an appeal to the Information Commissioner (ICO) who is the statutory regulator. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted LLR ICB's Complaints Procedure. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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Yours sincerely

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