

Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust Response to Information request

Date Request Received: 5th August 2025

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Requested Information:

1) The NHS in England has set targets to reach net zero by 2040 for direct emissions. Does your organisation have a clear roadmap of how you're going to reach this target?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

2) What significant changes have you made – if any – since this goal was set in 2020? Select all that apply:

- Upgraded our building systems
- Adopted technology to monitor and optimise energy use
- Digitised electrical infrastructure and energy sources
- Invested in renewable technologies
- Implemented circular business practices
- Other: please state

3) Does your organisation currently measure its total carbon footprint?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

4a) Has your organisation received funding to spend on decarbonisation?

- Yes
- No
- I don't know

4b) If yes, where has this funding been spent?

- Upgrading heating, lighting and ventilation
- Installing solar panels or other forms of renewable energy
- Carbon capture and storage solutions
- Energy-efficient technologies and equipment such as LED lighting, HVAC systems
- Training and awareness programmes
- Other: please state

5) What percentage of your energy consumption from fossil fuels?

- 0-10%
- 11-20%
- 21-30%
- 31-40%
- 41-50%
- 51-60%
- 61-70%
- 71-80%
- 81-90%
- 91-100%

6) What was your total energy bill in 2024?

7) Has this increased, decreased or stayed the same compared to 2023?

8) What steps, if any, have been taken to try and reduce energy bills?

9) What is the trust's maintenance budget?

10) What percentage is spent on emergency repairs compared to planned maintenance?

11) How many equipment failures have been reported in 2024?

12) What is the average response time for repairs?

Response:

1. Yes – See Green Plan ([Green Plan Cornwall and Isles of Scilly Health System Partners](#))
2. Invested in renewable technologies, upgraded some systems, moved energy supplies to green tariffs.
3. Yes. However, there are some gaps in the information
4. a) Yes

b) Upgrading heating, lighting and ventilation
Installing solar panels or other forms of renewable energy
Energy-efficient technologies and equipment such as LED lighting, HVAC systems

5. 41 – 50%
6. 2024/25 – £5,346,072
7. Decreased on the figures for 2023/24
8. We entered into a 15 year Energy Contract with Equans in 2018 which amongst other things includes a CHP, Replacement boilers, Biomass & Solar.
9. This information will be available in the ERIC 2024/25 when released later in the year.
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11. Unknown – we are unable to distinguish through our maintenance system where repairs are related to equipment total failure or general repairs to equipment due to way requests are received and managed.
12. Unknown – it is not possible to provide accurate information from our systems on response times.

Attachment(s):

No Attachment(s)

Date Response sent: 19th August 2025