

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

RF23-451

Request:

1. Does your Trust have a sustainability working group/board?
2. If your Trust does have sustainability working group(s), how many are there and what do they focus on?
3. If your Trust does have sustainability working group(s), how many people in total attend meetings for this group (from the last three meetings)?
4. If your Trust does have sustainability working group(s), how many clinicians in total attend meetings for this group (from the last three meetings)?

Response:

We can confirm East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT) holds the information you have requested.

1. Yes
2. There are two working groups who focus on the below:
 - Clinical Carbon Reduction Task & Finish Group (focuses on clinical aspects of carbon reduction e.g. medical gases)
 - Joint Carbon Reduction Steering Group (focuses on all aspects of sustainability, the committee sign off new carbon reduction initiatives, and discuss current carbon reduction projects in all areas of the business – Estates/Facilities/Capital/Clinical)
3.
 - Clinical Carbon Reduction Task & Finish Group: nine staff members have attended each of the past three meetings which happen once a month
 - Joint Carbon Reduction Steering Group: 17 staff members are invited, they happen once every two months. For the past three meetings six people have attended for two and nine people for one.
4.
 - Clinical Carbon Reduction Task & Finish Group: eight clinicians for the last three meetings
 - Joint Carbon Reduction Steering Group: six clinicians for the last three meetings

(DATE OF RESPONSE: 08 AUGUST 2023)

