QUESTION

Under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I would like to request the following information:

- (1) The number of General and Acute beds available for overnight occupancy the Trust expects to have by the end of financial year 2020/2021. I would like this figure to be calculated using the same criteria as the standard KHO3. I enclose the link here https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/bed-availability-and-occupancy/bed-data-overnight/
- (2) The number of core General and Acute beds the Trust expects to have by the end of financial year 2020/2021. I would like this figure to be calculated using the same criteria as that used for the weekly situation reports on bed occupancy. I enclose an example here:

 https://www.england.nhs.uk/statistics/statistical-work-areas/winter-daily-sitreps/winter-daily-sitrep-2017-18-data/
 Please note that this is core beds only and does not include escalation beds
- (3) Is the trust currently part of any discussions, whether at trust or at any other level, on whether the overall number, or the core number of general and acute beds should be reduced? If so, what stage are those discussions at and who with? (eg firm plans, consultation stage, working group stage etc)

RESPONSE:

- 1. To ensure the Trust can provide requisite inpatient capacity as a Healthier Together specialist site, in addition to meeting the challenge of the year on year savings programme, the G&A bed numbers will be as follows:
 - G&A @ the time of writing: 718
 - Planned G&A beds at the end of 20/12: 721
- 2. As above, the increase will be in Core G&A beds:
 - G&A @ the time of writing: 718
 - Planned G&A beds at the end of 20/12: 721
- 3. There are currently plans being formed to reduce the medical bed base by 39 beds through the Stockport Together Vanguard programme based on the investment in and development of out-of-hospital services, however the timing of this reduction is yet to be finalised.

ATTACHMENT: No