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Events at Ulster Museum relating to the new Royal Children's Hospital during 01 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 concerning any events held at the Ulster Museum relating to the new Royal Children's Hospital during the period 1st January 2025 to 31st December 2025.

For each relevant event, please provide the following information:

1. Event details

a. The date of the event.

Workshop on Friday 12 September 2025 and a half day follow up session held on Friday 7 November 2025.

b. The title and stated purpose of the event.

New Children's Hospital Team Building Workshop.

c. The organisation responsible for organising or hosting the event.

Belfast Health and Social Care Trust hosted both events, which were facilitated by the HSC Leadership Centre.

d. The Belfast Health and Social Care Trust directorate, department or project team responsible for coordinating the Trust's involvement.

Strategic Development Directorate, Capital Planning Team.

2. Belfast Trust attendance

a. The total number of Belfast Trust employees or representatives who attended.

14 attendees across the two workshop sessions.

b. A breakdown of attendees by Trust directorate and department.

All 14 Belfast Trust representatives who attended the workshop sessions were from the Directorate of Strategic Development.

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c. Within each directorate or department, a further breakdown by Agenda for Change pay band or other applicable grade.

Total attendees	14
Directorate	Strategic Development
Banding	Band 7 and above

Some figures have been withheld because disclosure of small numbers has the potential to identify individuals. The information is therefore exempt under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Personal Information relating to a third party. Its release would contravene the data protection principles set out in the UK GDPR.

Please provide aggregate numbers only; I am not requesting the names or other personal information of individual attendees. Where small numbers prevent disclosure at the requested level, please provide the information using broader band, department or directorate groupings rather than withholding the entire breakdown.

3. Attendance by external organisations

a. The name of each external organisation, company, public body, charity or other group represented at the event.

The following external organisations were represented at the event:

- Department of Health, Health Estates
- John Graham Construction Holdings
- AECOM
- Isherwood & Ellis
- Tetra Tech

b. The number of attendees representing each organisation.

Organisation	Number of attendees
Department of Health	<10
John Graham Construction Holdings	<10
AECOM	<10
Isherwood & Ellis	<5
Tetra Tech	<10

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c. The total number of external attendees.

Organisation	Number of attendees
Department of Health	<10
John Graham Construction Holdings	<10
AECOM	<10
Isherwood & Ellis	<5
Tetra Tech	<10

Some figures have been withheld and replaced with less than ten (<10) and less than five (<5). This is because disclosure of small numbers has the potential to identify individuals. The information is therefore exempt under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 - Personal Information relating to a third party. Its release would contravene the data protection principles set out in the UK GDPR.

4. Event costs

Please provide the total cost of each event to the Belfast Trust, excluding the salaries of Trust employees.

Please break the costs down into the following categories:

a. Speaker fees or other payments to speakers.

Nil.

b. Speakers' travel, accommodation and subsistence expenses.

Nil.

c. Venue hire and associated venue charges.

£1,800.00

d. Hospitality, catering and refreshments.

Nil cost incurred to Belfast Trust.

e. Audio-visual, staging, equipment or technical support.

Included in venue hire and associated venue charges.

f. Event management, consultancy or facilitation costs.

Nil.

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g. Printing, promotional materials or other communications costs.

Nil.

h. Any other expenditure connected with the event, with a description of each item.

Nil.

i. Please also confirm whether any of the event costs were paid by, reimbursed by, or shared with another organisation. Where this occurred, please identify the organisation and state the amount or proportion contributed.

Hospitality, catering and refreshments were paid in full by five partner organisations: Department of Health, John Graham Construction Holdings, AECOM, Isherwood & Ellis, and Tetra Tech.

In accordance with Section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, Belfast Trust can confirm that it does not hold information regarding the amount or proportion contributed by each organisation, as the costs were paid directly by the partner organisations and not by the Trust.

j. If no expenditure was recorded under a particular category, please record this as £0. If the Trust did not directly incur a cost because it was met by another organisation, please state this.

Nil.

k. Please provide the information separately for each event and include an overall total covering all relevant events during the period.

Friday 12 September 2025 = £1,200.00

Friday 7 November 2025 = £600.00

Total = £1,800.00

If any part of this request is likely to exceed the appropriate cost limit, please provide advice and assistance on how it could be refined. If any information is withheld, please identify the exemption relied upon and explain why it applies.

I believe there were events held in relation to the building project constructing the new Royal Children's hospital.

Whatever departments are involved with the construction work and the project would likely have had some involvement.