

## ***Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000***

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 06 August 2020.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

### **1. What plans do you have in place to support staff with travel to and from work between 1 December 2020 to 31 March 2021, in case public transport is disrupted due to severe weather conditions and/or COVID-19 lockdowns, locally or nationwide?**

MKUH mitigation and response measures during winter is based on the national Cold Weather Plan ([link](#)) that is published each year in September that outlines the National Cold Weather Alert (0-4) operating in England from 1 November to 31 March. During this period, the Met Office may forecast severe cold weather, as defined by forecasts of mean temperatures of 2°C or less for at least 48 hours, and/or snow and ice. The Trust responds to these alerts through its Cold Weather Plan and Severe Weather Policy covering options such as 4x4 support for staff and further resources available through multi-agency partners. Note that all COVID related command structures are in place with multi-agency partners to ensure ongoing oversight, and early response.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom of Information Co-ordinator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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