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Q1 Prior to October 2022, did you have a written plan in the event of a loss of power for the hospital(s) overseen by the trust? What did this entail?

A1 Yes, plan in place. This includes planned prevention maintenance and maintenance of generators.

Q2 How long can the hospital(s) run on back-up power?

A2 Approximately 10 days.

Q3 Have you re-examined those plans and / or made any alterations for this winter?

A3 Yes, and no changes made.

Q4 What have you changed?

A4 Nothing.

Q5 What are your plans for hospitals if there are regular three-hour power cuts with advanced warning this winter, as warned by the National Grid?

A5 The Trust will follow its business continuity plan.

Q6 Under what scenario would the hospital(s) be forced to close as a result of power outages this winter?

A6 Not applicable - business continuity plan will be followed.

Q7 What would your advice to hospitals be in the event of a power outage with advance warning?

A7 Information not held, - this is a general question and does meet the criteria for a valid request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The question asks for opinion rather than recorded information held by the Trust.

Q8 What would your advice to hospitals be in the event of a sudden loss of power?

A8 Information not held, - this is a general question and does meet the criteria for a valid request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The question asks for opinion rather than recorded information held by the Trust.

Q9 In the event of a sustained nationwide loss of power, have you contacted any other organisations to see if you can draw on their backup generation?

A9 No