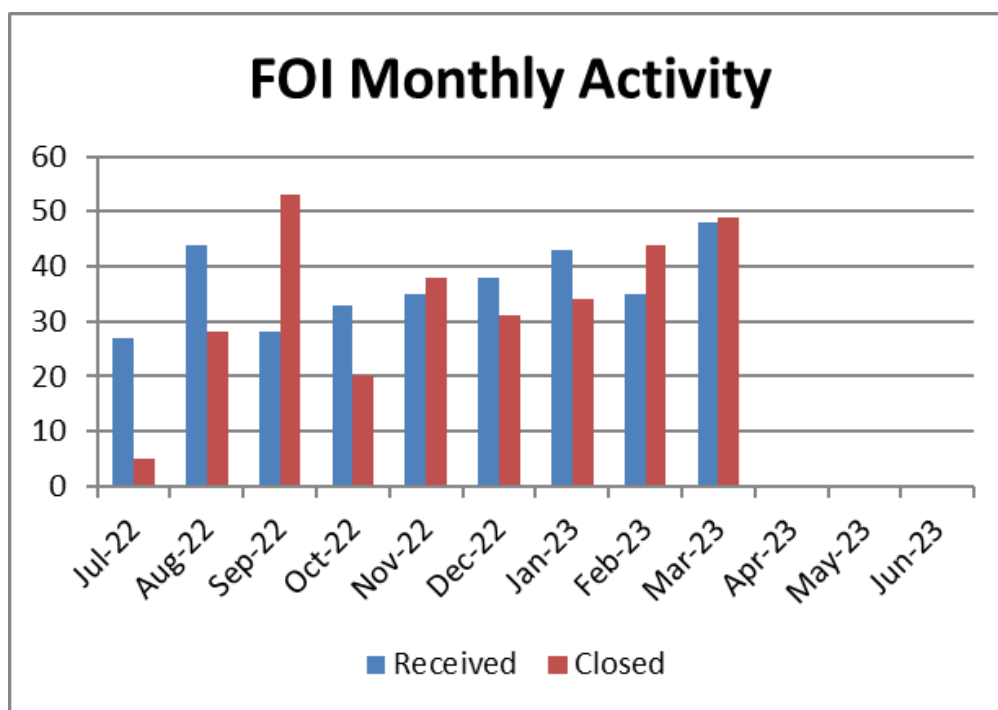


# Freedom of Information (FOI) Activity Report – July 2022 to March 2023\*

	Jul 2022	Aug 2022	Sep 2022	Oct 2022	Nov 2022	Dec 2022	Jan 2023	Feb 2023	Mar 2023
FOIs Received	27	44	28	33	35	38	43	35	48
FOIs Closed	5	28	53	20	38	31	34	44	49
Statutory 20 Day Deadline Breaches	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



### FOI Activity Analysis

For the period 01 July 2022 to 31 March 2023:

C&M ICB received a total of **331** FOI requests and responded to a total of **302** FOI requests.

The average number of FOI requests received per month was **36.7**.

This monthly average of FOIs received has increased each quarter: **33 (Q2); 35.3 (Q3); 42 (Q4)**.

### Exemptions Applied in FOI Responses

For the period 01 July 2022 to 31 March 2023, C&M ICB applied a total of 49 FOI exemptions withholding disclosure of all/part of the information requested, broken down by the below FOI Sections:

- Section 12: *Compliance Exceeds Appropriate Limit* [5]
- Section 22: *Information Intended for Future Publication* [2]
- Section 42: *Personal Information* [32]
- Section 43: *Prejudice to Commercial Interests* [10]

\*NHS Cheshire and Merseyside ICB was established on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022

## Internal Reviews

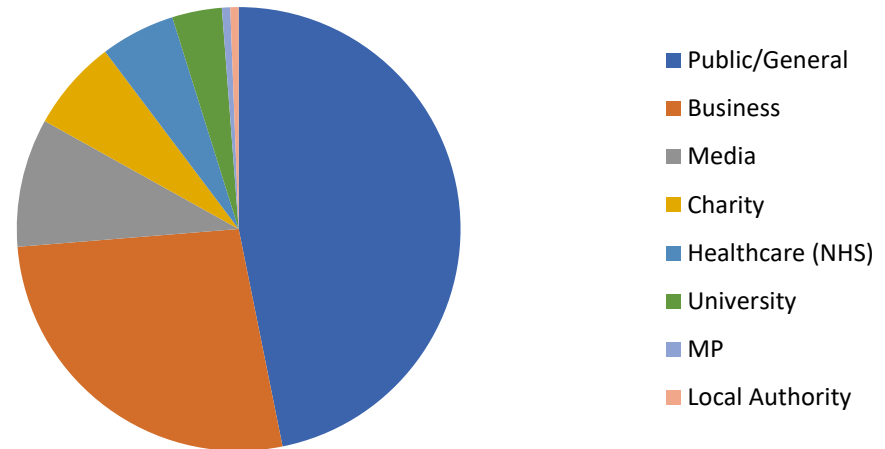
For the period 01 July 2022 to 31 March 2023, C&M ICB received a total of 4 requests for a review of the responses provided to FOIs. All of these requests for a review related to the information previously provided being expanded on, or further/additional information in relation to the previous request.

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### Source of FOI Requests Received

Applicant Type	Number of Requests Received Jul 22 - Mar 23
<b>Public/General</b>	155
<b>Business</b>	89
<b>Media</b>	31
<b>Charity</b>	22
<b>Healthcare (NHS)</b>	18
<b>University</b>	12
<b>MP</b>	2
<b>Local Authority</b>	2

Source of FOI Requests Received Jul 22 - Mar 23



### Themes/Topics of FOI Requests Received

For the period 01 July 2022 to 31 March 2023, the following were noted as the common themes/topics of interest in the FOIs received:

- Primary Care/GP Practice Information
- NHS Continuing Healthcare / Care Package Commissioning
- Contracting Information of Healthcare Services Commissioned
- ADHD/Autism Commissioning/Waiting Times
- Contact Details of ICB Leads for Areas of Healthcare Commissioning