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Dear Jim,

Subject: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

I am writing to confirm that I have now completed my search for the information which you requested on 1st August 2017, as outlined below:

- 1. Either the name and job role of the individual or alternatively, details of the members of the committee that made the decision to decommission NHS Protect's security management functions wef 1/4/2017*
- 2. Details of the rationale /reasoning underpinning the decision to decommission NHS Protect's security management functions wef 1/4/2017*
- 3.Details of the NHS body currently holding responsibility for ensuring and enforcing compliance with service condition 24 of the NHS National Contract (NHS Counter Fraud and Security Management) or alternatively confirmation that the decommissioning of NHS Protect's security management function went ahead without any body being responsible for ensuring and enforcing compliance with service condition 24 of the NHS National Contract.*

In response to your request:

1.NHS Protect was the subject of a review of its functions and services by the Department of Health, as a result of the review the recommendations of the review were implemented.

2.See (1) above.

3.The standards for security management work are imposed through the relevant clauses of the standard commissioning contract between commissioners and providers. It is the responsibility for commissioners to ensure that security management standards are met in accordance with the contract. NHS England is responsible for the standard commissioning contract, the clauses within it and the standards to which it refers.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact me. Please quote the reference number above in any future communications to make it easier for me to deal with your correspondence.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Moore', written in a cursive style.

Helen Moore
Information Governance Officer