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- Q1 For the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 (so far) how many tonnes of food was wasted by your trust?
- A1 Information not held - we do not weigh wasted meals, however we have very little waste if any at all as we order meals near the point of service
- Q2 For the financial years 2019/20, 2020/21 and 2021/22 (so far) how much did the wasted food cost the trust?
- A2 Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data.
- Q3 Under the Government's new blueprint for better hospital food launched October 2020 it was recommended every hospital should implement a digital meal ordering system by 2022 to collate food choices, manage allergies and diets, and minimise waste. Please explain what steps, if any, the trust has taken to implement a digital ordering system?
- A3 There are currently no plans to implement an electronic food ordering system.
- Q4 The blueprint also recommended NHS trusts should agree on a common method of monitoring food waste. Please explain what steps, in any, the trust has taken to implement a method of monitoring food waste?
- A4 Unserved food waste is documented manually