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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

• The name of the supplier/s who service your weighing devices (baby scales, chair scales, floor scales, column scales, patient transfer scales, bench scales for example)	Seca
• How many weighing devices are covered by this contract? A List of these devices stating make/model How many addresses are covered by this contract?	241 across 3 sites. List provided separately
• What standard (or average) price per scale do you pay for servicing	The Trust considers releasing costs to be commercially sensitive. Exemption Section 43 (2) Commercial Interests is therefore applied <i>FOI exemption 43 (2) 'Commercial Interests' : The level of competition currently experienced within the NHS is such that the release of detailed information specifically relating to service level reporting detailing capacity and funding would have a prejudicial impact on the Trust resulting in it being less competitive.</i>
• The date that the servicing contract ends.	2025
• The value of total spends on weighing devices (split between patient weighing and other) excluding servicing in the last 3 calendar years split by year; split by each site/address	The Trust considers releasing costs to be commercially sensitive. Exemption Section 43 (2) Commercial Interests is applied
• The value of that spend by weighing device supplier in the last 3 calendar years split by year.	
• Do you have any weighing devices integrated directly or indirectly to an electronic patient records system (EPR)?	No
• Which electronic patient records system do you use/plan to use?	Sunrise

• If you haven't done so already, do you intend to integrate weighing scales to an EPR in the next 12-24 months?	Part of trust strategy to integrate medical devices into EPR.
• Do you use Welch Allen Vital signs monitors in the Trust, if so, how many and are any of these connected to weighing devices?	Yes and no, non-connected.
• How many suppliers were invited to tender/were considered for your current contract	Non tendered raised via supply chain.
• What was the decision criteria with regard to the current contract including any weighting	Extension of current contract.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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