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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.

Request

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information regarding the management and maintenance of biomedical assets and associated services within your organisation:

1. Biomedical Asset List

Please provide a list of current biomedical assets, including the following details for each asset:

- Asset No.
- Serial No.
- Equipment Category
- Manufacturer
- Model
- Installation Date
- Purchase Price
- Last PPM Date
- Next PPM Date
- PPM Frequency
- Maintenance Type (In-house or External)
- External Maintenance Provider (if applicable)

2. Community Sites & Assets

- a. How many community sites and assets do you manage?
- b. Are these assets maintained by specific engineers or shared across the team?

3. RFiD Asset Tracking

- a. Do you use an RFiD asset tracking system?
- b. If so, who is the provider of this system?

4. External Repair Costs

What was the total external repair spending for the last financial year on the following devices?

- Defibrillators
- ECG Machines
- Infusion Pumps
- Patient Monitors
- Syringe Pumps
- CO2 Modules
- Monitor Modules
- Bladder Scanners

5. **Manual Management**

How does your organisation manage user and technical service manuals to ensure they remain up to date?

6. **EBME Engineers**

Please provide the number of EBME engineers within your organisation, categorised by banding:

Engineers	Qty
Band 3	
Band 4	
Band 5	
Band 6	
Band 7	
Other	

7. **Anaesthetic Equipment**

Who provides the maintenance of anaesthetic equipment?

Response

The Trust wishes to use Freedom of Information exemption S43(2) Commercial Interests (where information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).

“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.”

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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www.ico.org.uk

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

Yours sincerely

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