

Ref: UHB 17-656

NHS Foundation Trust

# Freedom of Information Request

Date 2 November 2017



Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trusts response is as follows:

#### **Human Resources**

The name of the business system your Human Resources department use?	ESR
The name of the supplier of this system?	National System
The procurement method that was used to obtain this system i.e. what framework?	National System
The current contract status and procurement intentions, are you in procurement or have you already procured?	Not applicable
Your current contract start date?	Not applicable
Your current end data?	Not applicable
Are you looking to renew this system?	Not applicable
The total contract Value?	Not applicable
Do you have mobile access to this system?	No
The name and email address of your Director of Human Resources?	Alex Nestor Interim Director of Workforce and Organisational Development

#### **Finance**

The name of the business system your Finance department use?	E-Financials
The name of the supplier of this system?	Advanced
The procurement method that was used to obtain this system i.e. what framework?	tender
The current contract status and procurement intentions, are you in procurement or have you already procured?	Contracted
Your current contract start date?	01/04/2010
Your current end data?	Rolling Contract
Are you looking to renew this system?	No

The total contract Value?	This is commercially sensitive information and will not be shared at an organisational level.  Section 43 of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. Therefore; we are withholding this information at this time.
Do you have mobile access to this system?	No
The name and email address of your Director	Paul Mapson
of Finance?	Director of Finance and Information

# <u>Payroll</u>

The name of the business system your Payroll department use?	ESR
The name of the supplier of this system?	National System
The procurement method that was used to obtain this system i.e. what framework?	National System
The current contract status and procurement intentions, are you in procurement or have you already procured?	Not applicable
Your current contract start date?	Not applicable
Your current end data?	Not applicable
Are you looking to renew this system	Not applicable
The total contract value?	Not applicable
Do you have mobile access to this system yes or no	No

When assessing whether or not it was in the public interest to disclose the information to you, we took into account the following factors:

# Public interest considerations favouring disclosure

There is a public interest in disclosing information to facilitate accountability and transparency in the spending of public money.

There is a public interest in ensuring that companies are able to compete fairly.

There is also a public interest in ensuring that this is competition for public sector contracts.

#### Public interest considerations favouring withholding the information

Against disclosure is that the release of the requested information is commercially sensitive in that disclosing this information would reduce the number of companies willing to do business with the public sector, leading to reduced competition and increased costs.

Against disclosure is the public interest is the potential that by releasing the requested information would or would prejudice someone's commercial interests i.e. damage a company's reputation or the confidence that customers, suppliers or investors may have in a company.

We have considered whether it would be in the public interest for us to provide you with the requested information, despite the exemption being applicable. In this case, I have concluded that the public interest favours withholding the information. We reached the view that, on balance, the public interest is better served by withholding this information under Sections 43 of the Freedom of Information Act at this time.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Trust Secretary
University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

To view the Freedom of Information Act in full please click <a href="here.">here.</a>

Yours sincerely,

