

## **Information Governance**

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21st November 2019

Dear

## INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

You asked:

## Freedom of information request:

I wish to request a list of all the computer programs used by your trust by clinical staff. If this could be provided alongside the function the software is used for, and the annual cost.

I wish this information to be organised as in the following example table:

Program	Provider	Function	<b>Annual Cost</b>
Bluspier	Clanwilliam Group	Theatre scheduling	25000
Evolve	Kainos	Clinical notes	20000

Please see the attached information.

**Refusal Notice for column 4 Annual Cost** - The information that you have requested is exempt under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act because it will take more than 18 hours to retrieve and extract the required information.

12. — (1) Section 1(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit.

Regulation 4(3) of the Fees Regulations states that a public authority can only take into account the costs it reasonably expects to incur in carrying out the

following permitted activities in complying with the request:
□ determining whether the information is held;
□ locating the information, or a document containing it;
□ retrieving the information, or a document containing it; and

□ extracting the information from a document containing it.

All public authorities should calculate the time spent on the permitted activities at the flat rate of £25 per person, per hour.

This means that the appropriate limit will be exceeded if it would require more than 18 hours work for all public authorities.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

**Rob Forster** 

Deputy Chief Executive/Director of Finance and IM&T

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If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. Generally the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure at: The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF