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Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2020

Dear Sir/Madam

## **INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000**

## You asked:

Please can you tell me which companies the trust has sourced Personal Protective Equipment from since 1st January 2020?

## For each item purchased please list:

- 1. the type of item
- 2. the date of purchase
- 3. the number of items purchased Please see refusal notice (below)
- 4. the company that has supplied the item
- 5. the value of the contract.

To preserve commercial in confidence pricing information we will not be supplying this data – we can only supply total costs as shown in the attached spreadsheet.

In response to question 3 - Refusal Notice Section 43 (2)

Commercially sensitive information relating to the quantity has not been disclosed here as we consider that Section 43 (2) 'prejudice to the commercial interests of any party' of the FOI act is engaged. Disclosure of this information could be commercially detrimental to the Trust and companies acting on our behalf and result in less competitive prices for services. The likely consequence of this would be increased cost for service provision to the Trust. We have considered how the public interest might apply, and although recognising that there is a strong public interest in openness, there is a greater public interest in ensuring an ability to obtain best value for money

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,

**Ged Murphy** 

Acting Chief Finance Officer

## PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Wrightington Hospital, Hall Lane, Appley Bridge, Wigan, WN6 9EP

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at: