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Dear ,

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act.

You asked:

- *Can you please provide me with a list of all of your current and planned information technology programmes and projects?*
- *Please include the budgets and time frames. Specifying what percentage/amount of the budget for each programme/project is to be allocated to programme, project managers, technical solution designers, technical solution architects.*
- *What is the IT directorates total budget for the current and forthcoming financial years?*

Refusal Notice: having considered the Public Interest Test, the Trust is applying Section 43, commercial interests and therefore we are unable to provide any further details.

It would not, be in the public interest to disclose information regarding IT Contracts as if disclosed, it could be used in a negative way, and it could prevent the effective delivery of services without giving the public any useful information. In addition, this information could be released in the future following procurement / tendering process.

- *How much money has the Trust spent on external IT consultancy companies in the past three financial years?*
- *How much money has the Trust spent on external IT contractors in the past three financial years?*

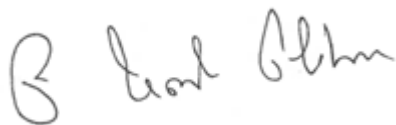
We are not able to provide an answer to these questions as we requested clarification from you on 17th March regarding your definition of an external contractor and have not yet received a reply.

If you wish to submit a further Freedom of Information request regarding external contractors we will be happy to deal with it.

I hope you find this information useful, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 256335. 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.

Chairman: Robert Armstrong
Chief Executive: Andrew Foster CBE

Yours sincerely,



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Deputy Acting Chief Executive and Medical Director

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