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Response Due: 11th February 2025

Date: 11th February 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 14th January 2025, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

Can you please confirm the following:

1. What current web filter is in place and when this contract is due to expire?

This information is exempt under Section 31 of the FOI Act for the following reasons: The Trust like any organisation may be subject to cyber-attacks and, since it holds large amounts of sensitive, personal and confidential information, maintaining the security of this information is extremely important. Cyber-attacks, which may amount to criminal offences for example under the Computer Misuse Act 1990 or the Data Protection Act 1998, are rated as a Tier 1 threat by the UK Government.

2. What current security awareness training is in place and when this contract is due to expire?

Security Training is provided by the Trust's eLearning module, therefore there is no contract expiry date as none has been purchased.

3. Lastly, can you please confirm what reseller the trust used to purchase their web filter and security awareness training technologies?

The web filtering reseller used was Softcat. The Trust also uses another tool which is free as it is part of the central NHS contract.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Director Digital & Chief Technology Officer

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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, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

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

The Information Commissioner's Office
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