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Date Received: 29th September 2025

Response Due: 27th October 2025

Date: 22nd October 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 29th September 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:

I am writing to make a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. I would be grateful if you could provide the following details:

1. The total annual spend on resistance bands for the last three financial years (or most recent years available).

2022/23 = £13,248.63.

2023/24 = £10,648.10.

2024/25 = £8,502.85.

2. The brand(s) or supplier(s) of resistance bands currently purchased by your Trust.

The brands purchased are listed below, these are purchased via NHS Supply Chain.

- Fortress.
- Medilast Plus.
- Meglio.
- Performance Health.
- Stretchband.
- Theraband.
- Flexil.

3. The name and contact details of the Head of Physiotherapy (or equivalent role).

Jo Armstrong, Therapy Lead and Claire Rigby, Head of Therapy.

The Trust does not routinely give out email addresses and direct telephone numbers of staff members, as large numbers of unsolicited emails/telephone calls, could cause disruption by blocking email accounts/telephone lines thus preventing true work-related emails/calls from being delivered. However, any of the above staff can be contacted via main switchboard on 01942 244000.

4. The name and contact details of the Head of Procurement (or equivalent role).

The Trust does not have a Head of Procurement of an equivalent role. However, Katie Bielecki is the Trust Procurement Manager which is the most senior position in procurement.

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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,



Hazel Hendriksen
Divisional Director of Operations for Specialist Services

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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, Wroughtington, 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
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111