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Date Received: 21st October 2025

Response Due: 18th November 2025

Date: 1st December 2025

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 21st October 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 you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request information about your Trust's procurement and purchasing trends for laryngoscopes.

Please provide the following information for the most recent three financial years:

1. A summary of the annual spend on laryngoscopes, broken down (where possible) by:

a) Single-use (disposable) laryngoscopes = £22,655.31.

b) Reusable laryngoscopes = £31.50.

c) Video laryngoscopes = £46,457.86.

The above information is based on the financial year 2024/25.

2. Any information or documentation showing whether your Trust has changed its procurement strategy or purchasing pattern for laryngoscopes during this period, for example:

- To adopt more sustainable or environmentally responsible solutions**
- To reduce clinical or infection risk through the use of video or single-use devices**
- To comply with any Trust or NHS sustainability, net-zero, or infection-control policies**

The Trust has not changed its procurement strategy or purchasing pattern

3. If available, please provide a copy (or summary) of any policy, guidance, evaluation report, or business case that supports these decisions — including references to sustainability, patient safety, or decontamination considerations.

N/A

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,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Gardner', on a light-colored background.

Tabitha Gardner
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, 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
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111