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Ref: FOI/2023/9418

Date Received: 23rd November 2023

Response Due: 21st December 2023

Date: 18th December 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 23rd November 2023, 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:

Internet Network Provider:

• Please provide details on the current internet network provider -

TNP

Contract End Date:

• Please provide the contract end date for the current internet network provider, including any extensions that may be in place.

TNP - March 2021 to March 2024

Data Bandwidth:

• Could you disclose the data bandwidth available under the current contract with the internet network provider?

2gb

Contract Cost:

• What is the annual cost of the contract with the internet network provider?

£40K

Technology Hardware Manufacturers:

- Please specify the technology hardware manufacturers for the following:
 - Router
 - Network Switching Equipment
 - o Wi-Fi Environments

Section 43(2) - Commercial interests.

(2) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). Section 43(2) is a qualified exemption and subject to the prejudice test and the public interest test. Under the prejudice test we have to consider if disclosure of this information would, or would be likely to, prejudice our commercial interests or the commercial interests of a third party. Consideration is also given to the harm disclosing this information would be likely to cause, combined with other information already in the public domain (mosaic effect) or possibly released at a future date (precedent effect). The public interest test considers and balances the public interest in disclosing this information against the public interest in not disclosing this information and uses this assessment to decide whether there is sufficient justification in withholding this information under this exemption.

Information disclosed under the FOIA is considered to be public information, and while there is a presumption towards disclosure, consideration needs to be given as to who will have access to this information beyond the requestor and the purposes for which they could use the information.

Prejudice to commercial interests

The Trust has examined the impact of releasing the information withheld under Section 43 (2) in order to decide if disclosure would be likely to prejudice our commercial interests or the commercial interests of a third party. The information required to provide a response to this question is contractually confidential and would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of ourselves and those who intend to tender for this service.

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,

Malcolm Gandy

Chief Information 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 Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111