

FOI REF: 21/175

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

1. Have you already started digital conversion of your paper medical records?

Yes.

If YES, which outsource provider do you use?

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1. a) Do you undertake any scanning in-house?

No.

2. If you have not yet started to digitise your medical records do you have a timescale for when you would like to start this project? Please advise one of the following.

- **Within 6 months**
- **Within 12 months**
- **Within 18 months**
- **Within 24 months**
- **Other (please state estimated timescale)**
- **No plans**

Not applicable.

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3. If you are planning a digital transformation project, how will you manage the procurement?

- OJEU
- Framework
- Other (please advise which)

Not applicable.

3. a) If the answer is Framework, which framework will you use? Please advise one of the following.

- LPP
- ESPO
- SBS
- H.T.E.
- NOE CPC
- Other (please advise which)

Not applicable.

4. Who has responsibility for digital transformation/medical records digitisation within the Trust? Please provide:

Digital Transformation

- Name Andy Bissenden
- Job title Associate Director of ESHT Digital
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Medical Records Digitisation

- Name Catherine Rodgers
- Job title Service Manager, Digital Records and Administration
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5. Does the Trust have an EDMS (Electronic Document Management System)?

Yes.

If YES:

- Which system is in use?

Evolve

- When does the contract expire?

16 April 2026

If NO, does the Trust have a plan to procure an EDMS?

Not applicable.

6. What are the timescales to procure an EDMS? Please advise one of the following.

- **Within 6 months**
- **Within 12 months**
- **Within 18 months**
- **Within 24 months**
- **Other (please state estimated timescale)**
- **No plans**

Not applicable.

7. Which EPR (Electronic Patient Record) systems does the Trust use?

SystemOne for Community, NerveCentre for Acute.

8. Does the Trust have the ability to deliver “Virtual Clinics”?

Yes.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Should you be dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your request, please write to Lynette Wells, Director of Corporate Affairs, East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust (lynette.wells2@nhs.net) quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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