

FOI REF: 21/259

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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. How many of the following positions do you currently employ at the Trust?

a) Core training doctor (CT1 and CT2)

CT1	6
CT2	3

b) Specialty surgical registrar (StR)

ST1	1
ST3	3
ST4	1
ST5	1
ST6	2
ST7	6

c) Career grade surgeons

Consultants	49
SAS Doctors	29

2. Do you currently use augmented reality or virtual reality technologies within the Trust as a training / educational tool for medical education?

Yes.

If yes, what does this technology cost to use (please provide details of one off purchase costs / ongoing costs)

East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust are currently participating in a free trial of a product until July 2021- there is no cost

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3. Do you currently use augmented reality or virtual reality technologies within the Trust as a surgical planning tool?

Based on the success of this pilot we will be considering the purchase of augmented technologies for a range of professional programmes dependent on the quality of the product.

If yes, what does this technology cost to use (please provide details of one off purchase costs / ongoing costs)

The Trust have not as yet sourced what we may want to purchase, we will consider this when we have completed the pilot.

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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