

FOI REF: 21/236

3rd June 2021

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 endoscopy procedure rooms do you have in your Trust? Are patients able to be separated by gender from admission through to recovery or do you use single sex lists?**

Number of endoscopy procedure rooms

5.

Are patients able to be separated by gender (e.g. gender specific pre-assessment and recovery rooms)? (Y/N)

Yes.

Do you use single sex lists? (Y/N)

No.

- 2. Approximately, how old is your endoscopy decontamination suite/ when was it last refurbished? Will the Trust need to procure new scopes in the next 12 months?**

Approximate age of endoscopy decontamination suite / time since last refurbishment

The Eastbourne District General Hospital endoscope decontamination unit was opened in September 2011, all the equipment was new, which included RO water purification unit, 3x Endoscope Washer Disinfectors (EWDs) and 4x drying storage cabinets. Additional EWDs were installed in September 2014 and September 2016.

The endoscope decontamination unit at Conquest Hospital, the Trust has purchased 5x Cantel RapidAER EWDs to replace the 3x ISIS AERS. The work to install and commission the new Endoscope Washer Disinfectors including RO water purification system will start in May 2021 and is due to be completed by the end of August 2021.

Will the Trust need to procure new scopes in the next 12 months? (Y/N)

Yes.

- 3. Have you used a mobile endoscopy service in the last 12 months? Approximately how many endoscopy procedures were undertaken in a mobile unit over the last 12 months?**

Mobile endoscopy service used in last 12 months? (Y/N)

No.

Approximate # procedures undertaken in a mobile endoscopy unit in the last 12 months

Not applicable.

- 4. Is in-house endoscopy capacity in the Trust near or fully utilised?**

Endoscopy

In-house endoscopy capacity fully utilised? (Y/N)

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 the Freedom of Information Department (esh-tr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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