

FOI REF: 21/407

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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:

**Please provide the following information you have pertaining to the Information Technology budget of your trust:**

1. **The total Information Technology budget of your trust in the four financial years from 2017 to 2021.**

	IT budget			
	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19	FY 2019-20	FY 2020-21
<b>Total Budget (£)</b>	<b>6,745,408</b>	<b>6,329,130</b>	<b>6,848,584</b>	<b>8,334,729</b>
<b>Hardware (£)</b>	439,886	67,429	306,308	597,303
<b>Software (£)</b>	634,696	543,729	704,453	806,509
Computer Maintenance (£)	2,659,928	2,510,158	2,649,998	3,364,118
Computer Consumables (£)	308,168	149,227	106,503	117,016
<b>Services (£)</b>	635,844	673,022	477,428	540,984
<b>Staff (£)</b>	2,066,885	2,385,565	2,603,894	2,908,799

2. **The total Information Technology budget of your trust in the four financial years from 2017 to 2021, broken down into the following categories:**

- **Hardware**
- **Software**
- **Services**
- **Staff**

Please see the table above.

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**3. Breakdown of your trust's Information Technology budget for the four financial years from 2017 to 2021, broken down into the highest level of detail that is readily available, including subcategories. Example of these may include but are not limited to:**

- **Security hardware**
- **Operating systems**
- **Security software**
- **Other software**
- **Etc.**

[We do not hold this information broken down to this level.](#)

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](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net)), quoting the above reference.

Yours sincerely

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