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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. Which ERP (Enterprise Resource Management) or Finance system is currently used?

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2. What was the total value of the contract?

Whilst the Trust holds the information requested, it is applying a Section 43(2) exemption in relation to this part of the request as the release of the information is likely to prejudice its commercial interests.

In applying the exemption consideration has been given to the public interest in enabling scrutiny of public sector decision making and the general public interest in accountability and transparency.

We have concluded that by providing the actual value of the contract could cause harm to the Trust as this could distort the market-place and therefore, result in the Trust not obtaining best value for money.

In this instance, we consider that the public interest in withholding the information is greater than the public interest in disclosing the information.

3. What is the annual contract value?

Section 43(2) applied, please see above.

4. What is the duration of the contract?

4 Years.

5. When does your contract expire?

31st March 2024.

6. Do you have any planned upgrades of the software? If so, when?

No.

7. Are you planning to go to market for a different ERP/ Finance system? If so, when?

No.

8. Who is the person responsible for your ERP / Finance system? Please provide full name, title and contact information if possible.

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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, you have the right to request an internal review. Please write to the Freedom of Information Department (eshtr.foi@nhs.net), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

Should you still be dissatisfied with your FOI request, you have the right of complaint to the Information Commissioner at the following address:

The Information Commissioner's Office Wycliffe House Water Lane Wilmslow Cheshire SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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