

FOI REF: 24/067

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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:

**I am writing to request information related to the organisation's gas and electricity contracts, as well as details on the energy management system.**

### 1) Gas and Electricity Contracts:

#### A) Energy Provider.

##### I. Total Energies Gas & Power - natural gas.

Note – Total Energies Gas & Power has been the gas supplier since April 2022, prior to this it was Corona Energy and so answers provided to later questions will relate to the prevailing supplier at the time.

##### II. EDF Energy - electricity

#### B) Annual Spend for each provider for the past 3 financial years.

##### I. Corona Energy (2020/21, 2021/22), Total Energies Gas & Power (2022/23):

- 2020/21 - £1,785,408
- 2021/22 - £2,007,247
- 2022/23 - £3,729,127

##### II. EDF Energy - electricity

- 2020/21 - £1,785,408
- 2021/22 - £2,007,247
- 2022/23 - £3,729,127

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**C) Contract Duration (Including any extensions).**

Suppliers are determined at framework agreement level, and our contract commitment is effectively in relation to the latter. It is an evergreen contractual arrangement, always with a notice of 2.5 years should we decide to terminate.

I. Total Energies Gas & Power - 5 years.

II. EDF Energy - 7 years.

**D) Contract start date.**

I. Total Energies Gas & Power - 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022.

II. EDF Energy - 1<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

**E) Contract Expiry Date.**

I. Total Energies Gas & Power – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027.

II. EDF Energy – 31<sup>st</sup> March 2027.

**F) Contract Review Dates.**

Annual re-commitment date is mid-September.

**G) Contact details of the person responsible, including job title.**

Adrian Knight  
Deputy Director of Estates and Capital

We are unable to provide the contact details of staff as we consider this information to be exempt from release in accordance with section 44 of the Freedom of Information Act (Prohibition on disclosure) and would refer to the Privacy and Electronic Communications EC Directive Regulations 2003 which provide specific rules on electronic communication services, including marketing (by phone, fax, email or text) and keeping communications services secure. We will not provide any information that could result in the transmission of unsolicited communications which may place an unacceptable risk to our email network and could also have a detrimental impact on patient care and treatment.

The contact number for the Trust are accessible on the Trust website <http://www.esht.nhs.uk>.

This is an absolute exemption and there is, therefore, no requirement to consider the public interest.

**H) Total Consumption of Gas, please provide me with the latest figure in cubic metres.**

Please note, we have provided this data in kWh units, and not volumetric.

- 2020/21 – 66,385,247 kWh
- 2021/22 – 72,730,402 kWh
- 2022/23 – 81,767,800 kWh

**I) Total Consumption of Electricity (NHH), please provide me with latest figure in kWh for the past 3 financial years.**

- 2020/21 – 332,339 kWh
- 2021/22 – 325,471 kWh
- 2022/23 – 348,206 kWh

**J) Total Consumption of Electricity (HH), please provide me with latest figure in kWh for the past 3 financial years.**

- 2020/21 – 11,230,664 kWh
- 2021/22 – 9,776,402 kWh
- 2022/23 – 7,178,587 kWh

**K) Contact details of the person responsible, including job title at the very least.**

Adrian Knight  
Deputy Director of Estates and Capital

Section 44 applied, please refer to question 1.G.

**Energy Management System Contract(s) - Contract(s) relating to the organisation's energy management system. An energy management system (EMS) is a system of computer-aided tools used by operators of electric utility grids to monitor, control, and optimise the performance of the generation or transmission system.**

Not applicable - none in place.

**2) Energy Management System Provider:**

**A) Annual Spend.**

Not applicable.

**B) Contract Duration (Including any extensions).**

Not applicable.

**C) Contract Expiry Date.**

Not applicable.

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**D) Contract start date.**

Not applicable.

**E) Contract Review Date.**

Not applicable.

**F) Contract Description – A description of the services provided.**

Not applicable.

**G) Brand of the software.**

Not applicable.

**H) Total number of meter points for electricity:**

**i) Non-Half Hourly (NHH) meter points.**

40.

**ii) Half Hourly (HH) meter points.**

11.

**I) Total number of Gas meter points.**

66.

**J) Total number of meter points for specialist gases and liquids.**

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**K) Contact details of the person responsible, including job title.**

Adrian Knight  
Deputy Director of Estates and Capital.

Section 44 applied, please refer to 1.G).

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 ([esh-tr.foi@nhs.net](mailto:esh-tr.foi@nhs.net)), quoting the above reference, within 40 working days. The Trust is not obliged to accept an internal review after this date.

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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  
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Yours sincerely

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