



FOI REF: 24/629

18th September 2024

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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:

Organisation details

1. What is your organisation's name?

[East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust](#)

2. How many full-time employees are at your organisation

[There were 7,668.94 full time equivalent substantive staff as of the 5th September 2024.](#)

3. Who is your mobile phone network provider?

[EE.](#)

Renewal

4. Did you switch on last renewal?

[No.](#)

5. When did you renew the last time?

[December 2023.](#)

6. What is the contract length?

[3 years.](#)

7. Did you use a Framework, if so which one?

RM6261

Contract and usage details

8. How many total connections do you currently have?

5000

9. How many connections are Voice only?

Zero.

10. How many connections are Voice and Data?

400

11. Do you use a shared data bundle, if so, what is the data allowance?

Yes, 6Tb monthly data bundle. No individual allowance restrictions are set.

12. What is your average data usage of the last 3 months?

4.5Tb

13. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for July 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 17 Notice of Refusal

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 sharing commercials could disadvantage the incumbent supplier against their competitors. The information would provide competitors with the suppliers pricing, which could result in these suppliers obtaining a competitive advantage which could 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.

14. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for August 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

15. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for September 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

16. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for October 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

17. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for November 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

18. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for December 2023 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

19. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for January 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

20. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for February 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

21. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for March 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

22. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for April 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

23. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for May 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

24. Please provide your total mobile phone contract costs for June 2024 (excluding purchase of handsets):

Section 43(2) applied.

25. Is VAT included in the above figures?

Not applicable.

26. Do you have a hardware fund, if so, how much and is it included in the monthly spend?

No.

27. Do you host any mobile phone masts on your premises, if so, how many and who provides them?

No.

28. Who is the primary contact for this contract?

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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 (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.

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

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Yours sincerely

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