

FOI REF: 24/763

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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) **Software Name and Supplier:**
The name of the current Decontamination Track and Trace software in use and the details of the supplier.

[Health Edge SSD Application \(HESSDA\)](#)
[Health Edge Solutions Ltd.](#)

- 2) **Duration of Use:**
How long has the Trust been using this Track and Trace solution?

[Since March 2021.](#)

- 3) **Contract Start Date:**
The start date of the current contract for the Decontamination Track and Trace system.

[01/01/2021.](#)

- 4) **Contract End Date:**
The end date of the current contract.

[01/01/2026.](#)

**5) Current Contract Value:
The total value of the current contract.**

Section 17- Notice of Refusal.

Under Section FOIA Section 1 (1) (a) The Trust would confirm that while it does hold 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 could 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.

**6) Procurement Framework (if applicable) :
If relevant, please provide details of the procurement framework used to award the contract.**

Not applicable.

**7) Decontamination Manager:
The name or job title of the current Decontamination Manager within the Trust.**

Michelle Clements (Assistant Director of Facilities).

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:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
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Yours sincerely

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