

FOI REF: 25/698

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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. How many Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems does the Trust own?

9 complete systems.

2. Who is the Manufacturer/Supplier of the Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems that the Trust own?

Olympus and Pentax.

3. Are any of the Trust owned Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems subject to lease/finance arrangements?

No, all equipment is Trust owned.

4. What is the age of each Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems that the Trust owns?

This request is not specific as systems are made up of multiple items and endoscopes – 196 medical devices aged between 0 and 18 years old (average asset age is 5.8 years old)

5. How many of the Trust Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems are under Manufacturer/Supplier Warranty?

All Pentax systems are out of warranty, 4 Olympus systems are under OEM warranty.

6. Are the Trust owned Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems under external service provider service contract?

Yes, all systems are under a maintenance agreement.

7. If under external service provider service contract, who is the external service contract provider?

Pentax and 3rd party provider for Olympus systems.

8. Does the Trust maintain Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems using internal engineers from within the EBME/Clinical Engineering/Medical Physics Department?

No, all systems under external 3rd party maintenance support.

9. Where external service provider(s) are used, please provide the type of service contract that is in place, i.e. PPM/ Fully- Comprehensive / Ad-hoc support and for what Endoscopes/Endoscopy Systems?

All fully comprehensive.

10. Where an external service provider(s) is used, what was the value of the contract on award?

£0.5M

11. Where an external service provider(s) is used, please state the service contract period, i.e. start/end dates?

July 2025 – July 2030.

12. Where an external service provider(s) is used, does your contract include the provision of loan Endoscopes to temporarily replace defective Endoscopes?

Yes.

13. Please provide the name, email address and phone number of the role responsible for managing endoscopy equipment within the Trust.

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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.

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Yours sincerely

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