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Further to your recent request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) 2000, I now set out our answers to your specific questions, and any clarifications sought and provided, as follows:

Please provide the following in relation to the patient level information and costing system (PLICS) currently used by the Trust:

- 1) The name of the supplier and the name of the costing software product currently in use.**
- 2) The commencement date and the contractual expiry date of the current contract or call-off.**
- 3) Details of any remaining extension options, including their duration.**
- 4) The procurement route used (for example, the name of the framework and lot, or an open tender).**

I can confirm that we hold the information requested above. However, the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This is because the information is accessible to you, as it is already in the public domain and can be accessed by searching 'PLICS', via the following link:

<https://www.esht.nhs.uk/about-us/contact-us/freedom-of-information/foi-disclosure-log/>

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

I trust this information is helpful in its detail or explanation however, if you are dissatisfied with the response, then you have the right to request an internal review. If you wish to seek an internal review, please write to the Freedom of Information Team at esh-tr.foi@nhs.net quoting the above FOI reference number, within 40 working days. Please note the Trust is not obliged to accept a request for an internal review after this time period.

Yours faithfully

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