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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4101

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 06th November 2019.

Your request was as follows:

Who is the Trust's current supplier for their Electronic Patient Record?

[Here at The Walton Centre Foundation Trust \(WCFT\) this is developed in-house.](#)

What are the contract start and end dates for the Electronic Patient Record?

[N/A](#)

Who is the Trust's current supplier for their Patient Administration System?

[WCFT supplier for our Patient Administration System is Silverlink.](#)

What are the contract start and end dates for the Patient Administration System?

[The start date is 01/04/2014 and the end date is 31/03/2020.](#)

When is the trust due to start looking to re-procure their clinical systems?

[All clinical systems have various contract lengths and renewal dates, and so the re-procurement dates also vary.](#)

Who supplies the Trust's integration system?

[InterSystems](#)

How often does the Trust evaluate their Clinical Systems?

[Within an appropriate time frame before the contract renewal date.](#)

Please supply a copy of the Trust's latest Digital Strategy

How regularly does the Trust review their Digital Strategy?

[Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides that:](#)



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(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment...”

The information you have requested is published in The Walton Centre's Annual Report, please use the following link:
[https://www.thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk/uploadedfiles/Digital%20Strategy%202020%20\(1\).pdf](https://www.thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk/uploadedfiles/Digital%20Strategy%202020%20(1).pdf)

As a result, we believe that the information is already reasonably accessible to you.

Who is the Trust's current Chief Clinical Information Officer?

Dr Martin Wilson

Who is the Trust's current CIO/ IT Director?

Justin Griffiths

Which member of the board is responsible for IT?

Director of Finance and IT Mike Burns

Please provide an organisation chart for the trust's IM&T department

Please provide a link to the trust's latest Board Assurance Framework

Which member of the Trust is the SRO for the STP engagements?

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<https://www.thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk/170/board-meetings.html>

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For all schemes in WCFT the SRO for STP engagements would be CEO of the relevant department, for IT it is Justin

Griffiths.

What proportion of the Trust's IM&T Department is made up of interim staff and permanent staff?

This is an ever changing figure as projects come and go, therefore we can answer as of today only; I have broken it down by team.

- IT Tech team - 1 contractor / 6 permanent
- Software Development - 1 contractor/3 permanent/3 students
- Digital Systems - 2 bank staff/8 permanent
- IT Training - 1 contractor

How many beds does the trust have?

192 beds these include rehabilitation beds and Intensive Care Unit.

How many staff does the trust employ?

1451

What is the trust's current NHSI Rating via the NHS Oversight Framework?

As at end of September 19 the trust's NHSI rating was 1

What is the trust's current Digital Maturity Score?

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<http://www.thewaltoncentre.nhs.uk/203/freedom-of-information.html>

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Does the trust outsource their IT services to an external provider, if so please provide details of provider and contract dates

The contract is with Merseycare and the annual value is £37558 for out of hours support. In hours service is provided by internal staff.

Is the Trust looking to migrate to the cloud in the next 2 years?

Yes potentially some services

Is the Trust considering their options of outsourcing their IT Services in the next 3 years?

These services are reviewed annually before contracts are due up.

Please see our response above in blue.

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4101 in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

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