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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5235**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 23rd June 2022.

Your request was as follows:

I would like to know (segmented by hospital):

1.  The process which the hospital follows for end-of-life equipment

[There is a disposal and condemnation form that is completed by the relevant department, submitted to procurement and finance for approval.](#)

2.  The process by which the hospital decides that an equipment has reached its end of life

[See Q1.](#)

3.  Which companies the hospital works with in order to dispose of / sell off / repurpose medical equipment

[The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust works with Hill Ditch for the sale of end-of-life equipment.](#)

4.  The past data (for the last 5 years) which the hospital has on where equipment has gone

[I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 \(FOIA\) that we do not hold this information. However, Section 16 of the FOIA places a duty on us to provide help and assistance where possible and I am able to advise you that: This information is held by Aintree University Hospitals.](#)

5.  The data on which medical equipment that the hospital has which is about to reach its end of life

[Please see attached.](#)

6.  The data on which medical equipment the hospital currently has, when it was sourced and where it was sourced from, at what price

[Please see attached.](#)

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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**Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 5235 in any future communications.**

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Yours sincerely

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