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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5179

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 16th May 2022.

Your request was as follows:

1. What process/products do you use for disinfection/decontamination additional to a manual cleaning programme, for instance for a terminal clean or an outbreak?

The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust (WCFT) use a combined chlorine product.

2. Do you use Hydrogen Peroxide Vapour (HPV Fogging) or Ultraviolet (UVC) for decontamination

The WCFT use Hydrogen Peroxide Vapour and Ultraviolet for decontamination.

3. What companies do you use and how many units do you have in operation for both HPV and UVC?

UVC - Innovis

ISS provide HPV - Nocospray.

4. Is the equipment operated by NHS staff, or by an outsourced Contract Cleaning Company? If the latter, who is the contractor?

The WCFT have a contract with ISS.

5. Were these systems purchased via a tender or mini competition?

This was put out to tender.

6. Were these systems purchased through a framework agreement or direct sale?

The Walton Centre systems were purchased through a procurement framework.

7. Were these systems purchased outright, or via a lease rental package?

UV purchased outright, HPV provided by ISS.

8. What were the costs of the systems when new?

Annual expenditure of the cleaning and portering services are already in the public domain and therefore this information

is exempt under Section 21 of the Act (FOIA). The information for each year may be found in the Trust's Hospital Estates Return Information Collection (ERIC) Data. This information is published annually by the Health & Social Care Information Centre and may be found at <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/publications/statistical/estates-returns-information-collection>

9. Who is your current supplier and are you under contract?

ISS provide the equipment and the contract is managed by the facilities team.

10. What is the annual value of this contract, including consumables, extended warranties and maintenance agreements?

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11. What is the start and end date of the contract?

The contract started 1/4/22 and runs for 3 years with a 2 year extension option.

12. Do you use a managed service in addition to your own operation?

ISS provide additional services.

13. Could you provide me with the contact details for the person/s responsible for the fields below? • Infection Prevention and Control • Estates & Facilities / Domestic • Procurement • Housekeeping

The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust does not disclose individual staff members contact details. You can write to staff using the address above or alternatively email wcft.enquiries@nhs.net asking for your correspondence to be forwarded on.

Please see our response above in blue.

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 5179 in any future communications.

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Yours sincerely

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