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Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 5345

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 12th September 2022.

Your request was as follows:

1. Connectivity and Network Services
 - a. Who provides your WAN and internet connectivity and the annual spend on each
 - b. Who provides your SIP trunks and what is the annual spend
 - c. Who provides your WAN services, is this MPLS, SD WAN or Internet, and what is the annual spend
 - d. Who provides your LAN infrastructure and what is your annual spend
 - e. Who provides your WIFI infrastructure and what is your annual spend
 - f. Please confirm the manufacturer(s) of your wired network core and edge switching?
 - g. When was your core network installed?
 - h. Has it been updated subsequently?
 - i. Who maintains your core network?
 - j. When is the contract renewal date?
 - k. Please confirm value of the initial project?
 - l. Please confirm the value of annual support/maintenance services (in £)?

1. Connectivity and Network Services

a. The Trusts current broadband supplier is The Network People, via Liverpool University NHS Trust The Trusts annual average spend for broadband is £8,897.40 exVAT

b. Gamma - Approx £3,969 exVAT pa

c. The Walton Centre NHS Trust 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 is managed by Informatics Merseyside/NHS England.

d. North PB Ltd - £86,091.37 exVAT

e. (included in Qd)

f. TNP.

g. 2012

h. Replacement project currently in progress.

i. North PB Ltd.

j. 01/04/2023

k. I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) that we do not hold the information you have requested. Therefore, we cannot provide this information.

Under the FOIA, we are not required to create this information in order to answer your request. I should explain that the FOIA is to do with transparency of information held by public authorities. It gives an individual the right to access recorded information held by public authorities. The FOIA does not require public authorities to generate information, or to answer questions, provide explanations or give opinions, unless this is recorded information that they already hold.

l. (included in Qd)

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

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Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 5345 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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