



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-685

Date: 26th January 2024

Email foi@uhnm.nhs.uk

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 15th December 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding waste

As of 1st November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

Q1 We are keen to ensure we are prepared when this is due to come to market or when the contract expires.

Please can you advise ...

1. Who is your provider for clinical waste collection and disposal?

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding this request, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

<http://www.uhnm.nhs.uk/about-us/regulatory-information/freedom-of-information-publication-scheme/freedom-of-information-disclosure-log/>

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Q2 Who is the contact for the trust that manages the clinical waste contracts?

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Q3 What is the contract term and expiry date?

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Q4 When and how is the contract likely to be renewed or come to market?

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Q5 Do you use a framework or your own tender etc.?

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Q6 What is your current annual spend on clinical waste?

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Q7 What is your current annual tonnage on clinical waste?

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

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Yours,



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