

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 23-002

30 January 2023

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

1. The number of operating theatres (OTs) in your Trust by type (e.g., day case, general, obstetrics etc.)

Bristol Royal Infirmary 12
Bristol Dental Hospital 1
Bristol Eye Hospital 4
Bristol Haematology and Oncology Centre 1
Bristol Heart Institute 1
Bristol Royal Hospital for Children 9 (2 DSU)
South Bristol Community Hospital 2 (DSU)
St Michael's 5
Weston General Hospital 6 – (2 DSU)

2. For each type of OT (e.g., day, general, obstetrics etc.), please provide the number of OTs:

a) With no ventilation system

Zero.

b) With a 'conventional' ventilation system

25

c) With an Ultra Clean Ventilation (UCV) / laminar flow ventilation system

14

d) That are 'Integrated' OTs (e.g. connected by a digital control panel)

Four

3. The number of OT ventilation system that were refurbished/replaced in the last 5

years. For each, please list the supplier and capital cost of the equipment

Five. These were supplied through the Trust's main contractor. The capital cost was approximately £400,000.

4. For OT ventilation systems, where there is a servicing agreement, please specify:

a) Total value and duration of the servicing contract

Servicing is undertaken in-house.

b) Provider of the servicing contract

Not applicable.

c) Renewal date

Not applicable.

d) Type of agreement (e.g., framework, warranty, tender etc.)

Not applicable.

5. Your Trust's annual capital equipment spend on the following OT equipment, for the last 5 years

a) OT ventilation systems

Approximately £400,000.

b) Theatre control panels

None.

c) Operating lights

£134,000

d) Medical pendants

Approximately £608,280.

e) Mobile ventilation systems

None.

6. The annual number of surgeries performed outside of an operating theatre, for the last 5 years

Please note, the Trust does not hold the data in a format that would enable us to fully respond to your request to the level of detail required and a manual trawl for this information would significantly exceed the 18 hours limit set down by the FOI as the reasonable limit. Section 12 of the FOIA provides that we are not obliged to spend in excess of 18 hours in any sixty-day period locating, retrieving and identifying information in order to deal with a request for information and therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

a) The number of those where a mobile ventilation system was used for the same

period

None.

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
Bristol
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Please remember to quote the reference number above 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 Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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