

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-173

18 March 2024

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 amount of waste generated within the last year for each of the below categories:

o General

947.86 tonnes

o Recycling

760.37 tonnes

o Food Waste

10.633 tonnes

o Confidential

447.194 tonnes

o High Temperature Incineration (clinical)

526.64 tonnes

o Alternative Treatment (clinical)

437.75 tonnes

o Offensive (clinical)

187.45 tonnes

2. The amount of waste Spend within the last year for each of the below categories:

o General

£173,369.86

o Recycling

£42,197.15

o Food Waste

£743.58

o Confidential

£105,910.04

o High Temperature Incineration (clinical)

£441,713.85

o Alternative Treatment (clinical)

£233,552.34

o Offensive (clinical)

£142,507.13

3. Contract Start Dates for:

o General Waste Services

o Recycling Services

o Food Waste Services

o Confidential Services

o High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services

o Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services

o Offensive (clinical) Services

We are now in the process of moving to an official tender for the future delivery of this service and associated contract and we are currently unable to release any information regarding this until after the award has been approved. By releasing any information during this period will unduly bias a potential bidder over the rest of the supplier pool and would be in conflict with the Public Contract Regulations 2015. This is commercially sensitive information and will not be shared at an organisational level. Section 43 of the FOI Act provides that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. Therefore we are withholding this information at this time.

4. Contract End Dates for:

o General Waste Services

o Recycling Services

o Food Waste Services

o Confidential Services

o High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services

o Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services

o Offensive (clinical) Services

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5. Waste Company who holds the current contract

o General Waste Services

BIFFA

o Recycling Services

BIFFA

o Food Waste Services

Keenan and Geneco

o Confidential Services

Shred-it

o High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services

Stericycle

o Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services

Stericycle

o Offensive (clinical) Services

Stericycle

6. Name and Contact Details for the Waste Manager associated to the Trust

Joaquim Duarte, Interim Head of Sustainability

Estatesinfo@uhbw.nhs.uk

7. Name and Contact Details for the Sustainability Lead associated to the Trust

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8. Name and Contact Details for the Procurement Lead associated to the Trust

Procurement@nbt.nhs.uk

9. Name and Contact Details for the Infection Prevention Control Lead associated to the Trust

Trevor Brooks, Deputy Director of Infection and Prevention Control

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10. Do the Trust have a reusable sharps solution in place to reduce the amount of single use plastic that is incinerated in traditional practices?

Yes

11. Are there any onsite treatment facilities located on Trust premises which would mitigate the need for ensuing carbon footprint through the road miles that it takes to take the waste away?

No

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
BS1 3NU

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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