

## **Information Governance**

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Dear

## **Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act**

Thank you for your email of 11 October, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

## Request:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information from Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust relating to waste disposal services:

- 1. The name of the incumbent clinical and hazardous waste collector/disposer. When their contract began and when it will be out to tender again.
- 2. The number of tonnes per week or month of each category.
- 3. The price per tonne paid for each category.

## Response:

- 1. The contracts are imminently due to be put out to tender. Currently Domestic and Recycling is provided by Grundon and Clinical Waste by Tradebe.
- 2. A maximum of 1500 kilos per week of clinical waste and 15500 kilos of domestic and recycling per week.
- 3. The Trust has applied section 43 to the cost elements of this request. The Trust is not disclosing cost elements as the Trust are currently going out to Tender. The Trust has not disclosed this information as the Trust would not be able to obtain best value in tendering, negotiating and contracting for these services, and there would be likely to be prejudice to the commercial interest of the Trust and providers of such services as a result.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance