Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Question	Response – text and/or links
When was your last networking (LAN, Core, edge) refresh, and when is the next refresh planned? When was your last Wi-Fi refresh, and when is the next refresh planned? When was your last telephony or Unified Communications refresh, and when is the next refresh planned? When was your last mobile devices/pagers refresh, and when is the next refresh planned? Can you confirm contract end dates and vendors for the above?	Due to the size of the Trust estate, we allocate funds on a rolling basis to refresh equipment EoL / EoS. We do not intend to wholesale upgrade or replace our infrastructure. However we are considering cloud adoption in the future for some elements, although no decisions have been made yet. • Last Wi-Fi refresh completed in 2021, no further refresh planned • Last Telephony refresh completed in 2020, no further refresh planned • EPUT do not have a mobile refresh plan Mobile contract is with BT and ends Jul '23
Do you have an integration or workflow solution across the multiple technology systems in the trust?	We have an integration platform, and RPA platform both will underpin further works in pipeline / consideration at Trust and ICS level.
What are the key parts of your Digital Transformation and/or Hospital of the Future strategy going forward?	The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the https://digital.nhs.uk/about-nhs-digital/corporate-information-and-documents/our-strategy website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):
What adoption of Internet of Things has been implemented? Do you have an IOT containment policy?	At present there is no IOT implementation, we are currently working towards an internet first policy and plan, which will cover IOT once complete.
What adoption of asset tracking/real-time asset monitoring or RFID has been implemented or is being considered or planned? Does this include patient flow? Can you confirm contract dates and vendors?	There is no existing solution covering this, however our long term aims are to reduce waste and maximise assets available to the Trust. With the Trusts Estates strategy under review these areas will likely be reviewed, however at this stage we cannot provide any indication as to the outcome.

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

Publication Scheme:

As part of the Freedom of Information Act all public organisations are required to proactively publish certain classes of information on a Publication Scheme. A publication scheme is a guide to the information that is held by the organisation. EPUT's Publication Scheme is located on its Website at the following link
https://eput.nhs.uk