

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Examples of the audits would be - safeguarding audits, falls audits, weekly audits, and ward accreditation. I would be grateful if you could, under the Freedom of Information Legislation, provide the following information relating to the mentioned software:

1. What is the current supplier name?

The Trust uses Tendable for some audits in the inpatient areas.

2. What are the contract dates (start and termination date)? Start date 1st March 2022 – End Date 1st March 2025

- 3. Which procurement route/framework/DPS was used to purchase the system? Business case through governance processes
- 4. How many staff use the system? 729
- 5. How much was invested in the system?

The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the <u>Transparency of Transactions - expenditure over £25k | Essex Partnership University NHS Trust (eput.nhs.uk)</u> website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means):

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 organization. EPUT's Publication Scheme is located on its Website at the following link https://eput.nhs.uk