

Trust Systems

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response, in **blue bold text** below:

Royal Devon's Eastern area Response

For each system identified in a column please complete the following questions:	Electronic stock management		Baby tagging in Maternity	Patient location system	RFID staff and/or patient location and security	Patient flow monitoring	Tagged asset management system (for monitoring use and location of medical equipment and devices and other assets)
What system does the Trust use?	Synergy Logistics Snapfulfil	Epic	Epic	Epic	Nil	Epic	Paragon – RFID active tag.
Which departments is the system rolled out to? E.g. stores, theatres, ED, wards (how many), outpatients (how many)	Logistics warehouse	Pharmacy	ALL	ALL		ALL	Wonford site wide. Approx 1500 devices.
When did the Trust go-live or start using the system?	2017	2019	Oct 2020 Eastern July 2022 Northern	Oct 2020 Eastern July 2022 Northern		Oct 2020 Eastern July 2022 Northern	2013
When does the current contract for the system expire?	27/06/2025	09/06/2025	Varies	Varies		Varies	Yearly renewal.
Who is responsible for managing the current system contract? Please provide email address.	sally.hackney@nhs.net	tracey.foss@nhs.net	No singles person	No singles person		No singles person	david.frank@nhs.net
What is the annual cost of the system contract?	* Commercially Confidential	* Commercially Confidential	* Commercially Confidential	* Commercially Confidential		* Commercially Confidential	* Commercially Confidential

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This information is commercially sensitive and its release would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Trust.

In applying the exemption under section 43(2) the Trust has had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the public interest in disclosure. The Trust has considered all the relevant factors in the public interest test and has reached the conclusion that the benefit to the public in applying the exemption outweighs the public interest in releasing the information requested, as a result of the prejudices and losses that would potentially affect the Trust and patients. The release could jeopardise the company's future positions, which would cause a detrimental knock on effect on the market place, and would potentially limit the choices available to public authorities, including the Trust. This would potentially threaten the quality of products and services available to the Trust. The Trust considers that it is not in the public interest to do anything to undermine the competitive nature of the procurement process, and the disclosure of key information, as has been requested, could have that affect. The Trust believes that the consequences of releasing the information are serious and the likelihood of this occurring is high.

Therefore in conclusion, the Trust has reached the decision that the release of the information requested would be likely to be prejudicial to the commercial interests of the company concerned and the Trust, and that the public interest in withholding the information is greater than the public interest in releasing the information, and as such the information is being withheld under section 43 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act.