

Medical Equipment

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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 FOI Office Response

1. The process which the hospital follows for end-of-life equipment
Answer: Standard risk assessment.
2. The process by which the hospital decides that an equipment has reached its end of life
Answer: Individual risk assessment.
3. Which companies the hospital works with in order to dispose of / sell off / repurpose... medical equipment
Answer: Hilditch and Warp-it.
4. The past data which the hospital has on where equipment has gone
Answer: Hilditch mainly or scrap – data held on Medical Equipment Management (MEM) equipment database. Or individual dept database – X-Ray maintenance etc... if trade in.
5. The data on which medical equipment that the hospital has which is about to reach its end of life
Answer: All medical equipment over 7 years old is assessed for continued maintenance support – via maintenance contracts, internal or external support. The MEM asset database contains the date of purchase or install.
6. The data on which medical equipment the hospital currently has, when it was sourced and where it was sourced from, at what price
Answer: The MEM asset database contains this information. This information is commercially sensitive and its release would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Trust and its suppliers. In accordance with section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I am writing to advise you that the Trust holds the information you have requested. However, the Trust is refusing your request for this information.