

Unit4 Contract

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

Please be aware that the Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Devon) has existed since 1st April 2022 following the integration of the Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust (known as Northern Services) and the Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust (known as Eastern Services).

Further to attached response, please share the below information relating to Unit4.

1. *Brand name*

Unit4 ERP

2. *contract description*

Contract for the provision of a Finance and Fully Integrated Purchase to Pay Software Solution and Associated Services.

3. *contract start date/duration*

Start date of 01/01/2022 and end date of 31/12/2026. Option to extend for 36 months and further 24 months.

4. *annual spend:*

Section 43 (2) - Commercial Interests

The Trust holds this information. However, 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 Freedom of Information Act the Trust has balanced 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 concluded 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. As such this information is being withheld under Section 43 (2).

Public Interest Test (PIT) - Non- Disclosure:-

The costs of the current service should not be released into the Public Domain because it would give the potential suppliers an unfair advantage over other bidders when bidding for future work. That advantage would contravene the principle of fairness required from the Trust by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

Public Interest Test (PIT) – For Disclosure

The Trust understand the need for openness and accountability for tender processes and price, and it recognises the need for value of money.