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Dear

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing in response to your e-mail of the 21st January 2025. Your request has been processed using the Trust's procedures for the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000).

Requested information:

I am doing some research regarding quality assurance software systems, used by nursing teams for auditing and accreditation across the NHS.

The examples of the audits would be - safeguarding audits, falls audits, medicines, hand hygiene audits or 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's name? **Formic**
2. What are the contract dates (start and termination date)? **24th March 2024 (rolling contract) – 24th March 2025**
3. How much was invested in the system?
The Trust is applying Section 43 exemption to this aspect of the request as release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person (A person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity).

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review of the management of your request. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to: Dr Buki Adeyemo, Chief Executive, North Staffordshire Combined Healthcare Trust, Trust Headquarters, Lawton House, Bellringer Road, Trentham, ST4 8HH. If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office,
Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely



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