

## Freedom of Information Request

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### Information Requested:

- 1) Does your Trust currently use RPA (Robotic Process Automation)?  
[Yes](#)
- 2) Which departments within your Trust currently use RPA?  
[IMT](#)
- 3) Which commercial partner is your Trust currently using?  
[BluePrism](#)
- 4) Is the Trust intending to expand the use of RPA?  
[Yes](#)
- 5) Total Budget spent on RPA?  
[The Trust believes that this information is of commercial interest and may prejudice either the supplier or the Trust. The Trust is therefore applying Section 43 of the Act \(Commercial Interests\)](#)
- 6) Forecasted investment in RPA?  
[No forecast yet agreed](#)
- 7) Which departments have been identified for RPA projects?  
[Estates and Risk Management Teams](#)

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### Section 43 (Commercial Interests):

- (1) [Information is exempt information if it constitutes a trade secret](#)
  - (2) [Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to; prejudice the commercial interests of any person \(including the public authority holding it\)](#)
  - (3) [The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1\(1\)\(a\) would, or would be likely to, prejudice the interests mentioned in subsection \(2\)](#)
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