

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

I am working on my dissertation which looks at assessing the impact that NHS waste services have on the environment.

As part of my research, I am looking to monitor trends across multiple Trusts to establish the way in which different healthcare settings manage their waste services, in relation to the NHS's advertised push towards Net Zero carbon emissions.

As such, can I please request through Freedom of Information the following information:

1. The amount of waste generated within the last year for each of the below categories:

General [495 tonnes \(April 23 – Jan24\)](#)

Recycling [57.9 tonnes DMR 1.27 tonnes cardboard \(April 23 –Jan24\)](#)

Food Waste [Food waste is not currently segregated from general waste but planned to begin 2024](#)

Confidential [Approximately 91.2 tonnes \(Jan 23 – Dec 23\)](#)

High Temperature Incineration (clinical) [17.5 tonnes \(Feb 23-Jan 24\)](#)

Alternative Treatment (clinical) [19.5 tonnes \(Feb 23 – Jan24\)](#)

Offensive (clinical) [122.16 tonnes \(Feb 23 – Jan 24\)](#)

2. The amount of waste Spend within the last year for each of the below categories:

General [£146,600 Combined cost of general and recycling waste collections](#)

Recycling [£146,600 Combined cost of general and recycling waste collections](#)

Food Waste [Food waste is not currently segregated from general waste but planned to begin 2024](#)

Confidential [£16,942](#)

High Temperature Incineration (clinical) [£141,128 \(All clinical waste streams are billed together\)](#)

Alternative Treatment (clinical) [See above](#)

Offensive (clinical) [See above](#)

3. Contract Start Dates for:

General Waste Services [15/12/2023](#)

Recycling Services [15/12/2023](#)

Food Waste Services [N/A](#)

Confidential Services [15/12/2023](#)

High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services [15/12/2023](#)

Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services [15/12/2023](#)

Offensive (clinical) Services [15/12/2023](#)

4. Contract End Dates for:

General Waste Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)
Recycling Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)
Food Waste Services [N/A](#)
Confidential Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)
High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)
Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)
Offensive (clinical) Services [15/12/2026 +2 years](#)

5. Waste Company who holds the current contract

General Waste Services [Veolia](#)
Recycling Services [Veolia](#)
Food Waste Services [N/A](#)
Confidential Services [Shred-Station](#)
High Temperature Incineration (clinical) Services [SRCL](#)
Alternative Treatment (clinical) Services [SRCL](#)
Offensive (clinical) Services [SRCL](#)

6. Name and Contact Details for the Waste Manager associated to the Trust

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7. Name and Contact Details for the Sustainability Lead associated to the Trust

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8. Name and Contact Details for the Procurement Lead associated to the Trust

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9. Name and Contact Details for the Infection Prevention Control Lead associated to the Trust

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10. Do the Trust have a reusable sharps solution in place to reduce the amount of single use plastic that is incinerated in traditional practices?

No

11. Are there any onsite treatment facilities located on Trust premises which would mitigate the need for ensuing carbon footprint through the road miles that it takes to take the waste away?

No

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