

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

Please could you assist me by sending information regarding the following?

1. Please can you direct me to the authority's current IT Network strategy?
[The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the EPUT-foi-23-2835-digital-strategy.pdf website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act \(Information accessible to applicant by other means\):](#)
2. What does the Trust currently use for their Networks (Wifi/LAN/SD-WAN)?
[Cisco](#)
3. Who are you currently working with for your Networks?
[Cisco Support contract provided by BT](#)
4. When does that contract come up to an end?
[April 2025](#)
5. What does the council consider most important when reviewing their Network Strategy?
[We are a NHS mental health trust and not a local authority council.](#)
6. Who is the best contact around this area?
[In an effort to ensure that the Trust does not receive unsolicited communications and/or any potential malicious malware, the Trust does not routinely publish the names or contact details of staff other than those publicly available through our Trust website.
Any staff details disclosed will be at senior level only and should not be used for the purpose of unsolicited communications or marketing purposes \(in accordance with The Privacy and Electronic Communication Regulations, PECR\) as well as ICO \(Information Commissioner's Office\) guidance.](#)

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment, and

(b) information is to be taken to be reasonably accessible to the applicant if it is information which the public authority or any other person is obliged by or under any enactment to communicate (otherwise than by making the information available for inspection) to members of the public on request, whether free of charge or on payment.

(3) For the purposes of subsection (1), information which is held by a public authority and does not fall within subsection (2)(b) is not to be regarded as reasonably accessible to the applicant merely because the information is available from the public authority itself on request, unless the information is made available in accordance with the authority's publication scheme and any payment required is specified in, or determined in accordance with, the scheme.

Publication Scheme:

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