

Freedom of Information Request

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Information Requested:

1. ICT/IM&T/IS Strategy- The IT department strategy or plans, highlights their current and future objectives.

The Trust believes that this information is publicly available on the [Essex Partnership University \(eput.nhs.uk\)](#) website and therefore is applying a Section 21 exemption of the Act (Information accessible to applicant by other means).

2. ICT Org Chart- A visual document that presents the structure of the IT department, please include name and job titles. If this cannot be sent, please work towards a structure with job titles

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3. ICT Annual or Business Plan- Like the ICT strategy but is more annually focused.

Digital allocations are under review by the ICS and as such we are unable to share plans due to uncertainty of funding.

4. ICT Capital Programme/budget- A document that shows financials budget on current and future projects.

The digital capital allocation is currently £3.5m, however the ICS is currently reviewing allocations and as such we are now unsure whether our proposed schemes will be funded. Obviously due to this review we are also unsure as to future years planning.

Section 21: Information accessible to applicant by other means.

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

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(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.

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