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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 1 August, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

Freedom of Information Request re. Arboriculture/tree surgery contracts and expenditure

idverde provides Arboriculture and tree surgery services to public sector organisations. We are creating a database of future tendering opportunities and we therefore request the following information (by email please):

1) If the NHS Trust has let one or more contracts for Arboriculture/tree surgery, we request, for each contract

(a) The name of the successful contractor

(b) The value at which the contract was let

(c) The term of the contract, including any option to extend.

2) If the NHS Trust has procured Arboriculture/tree surgery services within a wider multi-service contract, then please provide details of

(a) The service provider

(b) Which services are included in the contract and

(c) The approximate value of the Arboriculture/tree surgery packages.

3) If the NHS Trust delivers Arboriculture/tree surgery services through an in-house workforce, or pays on an ad hoc basis as required, then please inform us of

(a) The approximate annual expenditure/budget for Arboriculture/tree surgery services for the most recent financial year available.

The above information is requested in order for us to focus our resources appropriately and to prepare good value tenders for the public sector.

Response:

The Trust do not have any contract in place. The Trust will be seeking quotations as the value is less than 25k.

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

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