

Our Ref: FOI 18/19-299

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Dear Clare

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I refer to your email of **24 October 2018** in which you requested information under the Freedom of Information Act from Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust.

Your request

You made the following request:

Question 1:

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, details in respect to the contracts below, details of which can be found on the third page of this document: Contract Notice 2014/S 059-099497- Telecommunication Services.

The details we require are:

- a) Suppliers who applied for inclusion on each framework/contract and were successful & not successful at the PQQ & ITT stages*
- b) Contract values of each framework/contract (& any sub lots), year to date
- c) Start date & duration of framework
- d) Is there an extension clause in the framework(s)/contract(s) and, if so, the duration of the extension?
- e) Has a decision been made yet on whether the framework(s)/contract(s) are being either extended or renewed?
- f) Who is the senior officer (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

For clarity, the details of the successful and unsuccessful suppliers are kept in the strictest confidence. These details are used only to contact and support suppliers regarding their bidding activity for the relevant contracts.

Decision

Sussex Partnership holds the information that you have requested and has decided to release it in part as stated below:

Chair: Peter Molyneux

Chief Executive: Samantha Allen

Head office: Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Swandean, Arundel Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3EP

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Answer 1:

a) - e)

We are unable to provide the answer to these questions, which we consider to be commercially sensitive, and therefore exempt from disclosure under Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The information you have requested relates to confidential, commercial arrangements with a range of partners, and it is our view that we and they are entitled to expect that such arrangements will remain confidential and not to be available in the public domain.

f) Ashley Goode, Head of ICT

Review rights

If you consider that your request for information has not been properly handled or if you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, we can try to resolve this informally with the person who dealt with your request via our Freedom of Information Officer at the email address stated above.

If you remain dissatisfied, you may seek an internal review within Sussex Partnership of the issue or the decision. A senior staff member of Sussex Partnership, who has not previously been involved with your request, will undertake that review.

A request for an internal review should be submitted in writing to:

FOI Request Reviews, Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, Trust HQ, Arundel Road, Worthing, West Sussex, BN13 3EP or by email to FOI@sussexpartnership.nhs.uk

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of any internal review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner for a decision on whether your request for information has been dealt with in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

The Information Commissioner's Office

Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF

Website: www.ico.org.uk

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

I do hope you find the information provided helpful.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Officer
Corporate Governance Team**