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Email only

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Dear

Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Request for Information

Thank you for submitting a request for information which we received on 20th June 2023 in relation to County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust (the Trust). Your request has been processed under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and I am now able to provide you with a response.

Your request was in relation to Bulk Printing & the Environment and I am providing the following information in response to your specific questions:

FOI REQUEST:

I am producing an article on the environmental effects of print in the NHS.

Under Environmental Information Regulations (EIR) 2004, I would like to request the following information with regards to your mass production of printed materials such as forms, leaflets and booklets....

- **Are your bulk print runs produced by an external supplier?**

Yes

- **If so, who is the supplier?**

Print By Laser

- **Is the print production and paper used carbon neutral?**

The Trust does not record this information, however, from 2027 all suppliers will need to provide details of their carbon reduction plans.

- **Does your supplier hold printed products at their site?**

Yes

- **If so, how many pallets?**

The Trust does not record this information.

- **Are all materials used recycled?**

The Trust does not record this information, however, from 2027 all suppliers will need to provide details of their carbon reduction plans.

- **Is this work currently under contract?**

No

- **If so, when does the contract expire?**

N/A

- **If not, which date did it expire?**

31st March 2019

- **Who is the person at the organisation responsible for the contract?**

Procurement are the first point of contact for Trust contract and can be reached via: procurement.support@nhs.net

- **Is your supplier located within a 50 mile radius?**

Yes

- **Do you manufacture all your bulk print at their head office?**

Yes

- **Do you measure scope 3 emissions as part of your carbon reduction plan?**

Not at the moment; from 2027 all suppliers will need to provide details of their carbon reduction plans but we don't have access to that information yet.

- **Is our supplier on track to be carbon neutral by 2040?**

From 2027 all suppliers will need to provide details of their carbon reduction plans but we don't have access to that information yet.

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log on the Trust's website. However please be assured that we anonymise all responses prior to adding them to the disclosure log.

I hope that this response has provided you with the information you had requested. If you have any queries or wish to discuss the information supplied, please do not hesitate to contact me by telephone or in writing. If however, you are dissatisfied with the way in which your request has been handled and would like an internal review, you will need to contact me in writing at the above address or via cdda-tr.cddftfoi@nhs.

If you remain dissatisfied with our response following an internal review you have the right to appeal to The Information Commissioner at Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF. More information is available on their website; www.ico.gov.uk.

Yours sincerely

Corporate Records and Freedom of Information Facilitator