

FOI 3299

9th September 2025

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

Question 1:

Spend on Insourcing from May 2025-end of July 2025, broken down by each specialty and subspecialty, and the insourcing company that was used, e.g. cardiology £1000- echo cardiogram £1000- company x £1000

Response:

The total spend on insourcing within my area from 1st May – 31st July 2025 was £248k, made up of £9k for the provision of breast services (General Surgery) by 352 Healthcare and £239k for MRI scanner rental & associated staffing (Diagnostics) from Fairford.

Question 2:

The budget for each specialty for insourcing

Response:

Breast Services – Bids (volumes of people) have to be submitted to Strategic Planning and Performance Group of the Department of Health (SPPG) on a quarterly basis. SPPG then provide an allocation of money that is to be spent during the period of that quarter. The amount varies each quarter, and sometimes there would be no allocation of money.

Diagnostics – MRI Scanner is procured off a Framework, this would have a maximum amount of money that can be spent against this contract, so it is monitored on a regular basis.

Question 3:

Confirm the contract start and end date for each specialty

Response:

General Surgery – Provision of Breast Services – Start date: 13 February 2024. End date: 31 March 2024, with the option to extend to 31 December 2025 (currently in extension period)

Diagnostics – MRI Scanner rental & Staffing costs – Start date: 05 July 2023. End date: 31 March 2025, with the option to extend for a further 18 months – 30 September 2027.

Question 4:

What frameworks were used for each specialty and was there direct awards and if so, who was they awarded to and what specialty

Response:

General Surgery – Provision of Breast Services – No framework available – Direct Award Contract.

Diagnostics - Rental of MRI Scanner & Staffing costs – Managed Equipment and Clinical Service Solutions and Associated Good between NHS Supply Chain (MECSS) Framework Reference 2021/S 000-019257

Question 5:

What was the service, e.g. theatres, outpatient, or diagnostic

Response:

General Surgery - Provision of Breast Services – Outpatient

Diagnostics – Rental of MRI Scanner & Staffing costs – Outpatient/Diagnostic

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