

FOI - 2528

24<sup>th</sup> July 2024

## **FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST**

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**1. Are surgical robots used in your trust?**

**Response:**

No surgical robots are used in our Trust.

**2. Are you currently planning to purchase a surgical robot(s) in the next 18 months?**

**Response:**

The Southern Health & Social Care Trust is keen to continue to develop surgery within the Trust which includes use of appropriate equipment which may include robots in the future

**3. Please list the manufacturer and model of all surgical robot(s) used in your trust? Please include duplicates if multiple surgical robots of same manufacturer/model.**

**Response:**

Not applicable as no surgical robots are used in our Trust.

**4. What date was the surgical robot(s) purchased?**

**Response:**

Not applicable as no surgical robots are used in our Trust.

**5. Are surgical robot simulators used in your trust?**

**Response:**

No

**6. Please list the manufacturer and model of all surgical robot simulator(s) used in your trust? Please include duplicates if multiple surgical robot simulators of same manufacturer/model.**

**Response:**

Not applicable.

**7. What date was the surgical robot simulator(s) purchased?**

**Response:**  
Not applicable

**8. How many procedures were carried out with use of a surgical robot each year from 2019 to present? Please provide a breakdown by speciality.**

**Response:**  
Not applicable

**9. How many emergency procedures were carried out with use of a surgical robot each year from 2019 to present? Please provide a breakdown by speciality.**

**Response:**  
Not applicable

**10. How many consultant surgeons work within your trust, and how many of these perform robotic surgery? Please provide a breakdown by speciality.**

**Response:**  
As at 31/05/2024 - There are 38 consultants work within the Southern Trust, none of which perform robotic surgery.

Please see breakdown by speciality:-

<b>Specialty</b>	<b>WTE</b>	<b>Headcount</b>
General Surgery	14.01	15
Urology	5.41	6
ENT	5.00	5
Orthopaedic Surgery	11.17	12
<b>Total:</b>	<b>35.59</b>	<b>38</b>

\*Please be advised that these figures do not include locum staff.

**11. How much did the trust pay to purchase the surgical robot(s)? If multiple surgical robots, please specify price of each robot.**

**Response:**  
Not applicable.

**12. How much has been spent on consumables/disposables for the surgical robot(s) annually from 2019 to present? If multiple manufacturers, please provide a breakdown by manufacturer.**

**Response:**  
Not applicable.

**13. What is the total cost of maintenance for the robot(s) annually from 2019 to present? If multiple manufacturers, please provide a breakdown by manufacturer.**

**Response:**  
Not applicable.

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