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I am responding to your request for information received 5 June 2023 and subsequent email of 11 July 2023. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

I am now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact me on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

Information Rights Coordinator

If you are dissatisfied with the Trust's response to your FOIA request then you should contact us and we will arrange for an internal review of this decision.

If you remain dissatisfied with the decision following our response to your complaint, you may write to the Information Commissioner for a decision under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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

Tel: 0303 123 1113
Web: www.ico.org.uk

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Request: Thank you for publishing your spend data here:
<https://gbr01.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.elft.nhs.uk%2Finformation-about-elft%2Fpublications%2Ffinance-reports&data=05%7C01%7Celft.foi%40nhs.net%7C54b00b5f4f244bbfeeaa108db653c1e77%7C37c354b285b047f5b22207b48d774ee3%7C0%7C1%7C638215081134870405%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzliLCJBTil6lk1haWwiLCJXVCi6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&data=umbsllzE8P3gl3Hu04vK017XY1FuxQkhp5qrDRYofc0%3D&reserved=0>

However, I notice that you haven't published any spending data since February.

We understand that due to the COVID-19 pandemic it may not have been a priority to publish your spending data. However, we strongly believe that the spending data is critical to understanding how Government functions and this data is vital for our work. We would be extremely grateful if you could update this information as soon as reasonably possible.

I'd like to make a request under the Freedom of Information act for all transactions over £25,000 from March to at most a month in arrears from the date at which you publish in response to this request.

Question 1: Please provide the data in a machine readable format (preferably csv). As a minimum, please make sure to include the date, value and recipient of each transaction. Please also provide details on the procurement category of each transaction if you have it.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 1 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/information-about-elft/publications/finance-reports>

Question 2: Thank you very much for your kind reply and for your cooperation! Most of the data now has been published till June, thank you for that. In the meantime March data is missing - page not found according to the webpage. Could you update the website or send us the data, please?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

Section 21(1) of the FOI Act states:

(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

The information requested is accessible here:

<https://www.elft.nhs.uk/sites/default/files/2023-07/MARCH%202023%20-%20Monthly%20Over%2025K%20Expenditure%20Report.csv>



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