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I am responding to your request for information received 2 August 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](http://www.ico.org.uk)

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**Request:** Please can you provide the following information:

**Question 1:** Figures of the annual cost paid to OxeHealth for annual licensing, use and maintenance of Oxevision equipment.

**Answer:** The annual licensing costs are £63,882.00.

**Question 2:** Figures relating to the initial installation costs of Oxevision equipment.

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

Section 1(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*Any person making a request for information to a public authority is entitled—  
(a) to be informed in writing by the public authority whether it holds information of the description specified in the request, and  
(b) if that is the case, to have that information communicated to them.*

East London NHS Foundation Trust does not have recorded information on initial installations costs of Oxevision equipment as requested and is therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 3:** Any additional documents (such as contracts, financial and business plans) relating to the finances of Oxevision equipment.

**Answer:** Section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states:

*(2) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it).*

The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information and is applying section 43 of the FOI Act. Section 43 exemption applies to commercial interests. As this is a qualified exemption, the public interest in withholding the information should outweigh the public interest in disclosure.

The Trust has applied the public interest test and, in this instance, believes disclosure of this information may affect its ability to seek competitive tenders in the future and should therefore be withheld. In addition, the Trust believes that sharing a copy of the contract with a third party would have an adverse effect on the provision of supplies within the Trust which may result in an increase of prices.



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