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**Our reference: FOI DA6110** 

I am responding to your request for information received 18 June 2025. I am sorry for the delay in responding to your request. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

When an organisation receives a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act, it is allowed under the Act to apply a blanket exemption to this where it has concluded that providing a response would take in excess of eighteen hours.

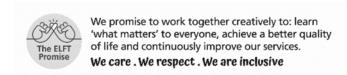
When the cost of compliance and extracting information would exceed eighteen hours, a cost limit of £450 can be applied. This is explained in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and is based on a rate of £25 per hour, regardless of the rate of pay of any individual involved in the retrieval of requested information, and equates to eighteen hours work.

Having reviewed your request, the Trust has noted that it would not be able to provide all the information requested within the eighteen hours specified in the Freedom of Information Act 2000. However, in this instance and to assist you, we have provided a partial response to your request as per below.

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



Chief Executive Officer: Lorraine Sunduza

Chair: Eileen Taylor

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: <u>www.ico.org.uk</u>

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**Chief Executive Officer:** Lorraine Sunduza **Chair**: Eileen Taylor

## Request:

I am submitting a Freedom of Information request in relation to your organisation's contract register, procurement strategy, and key contact information.

## Question 1:

Please provide a complete and current extract of your organisation's contract register or equivalent database. We are not asking you to compile new information or manually populate missing fields - we simply request the register in its existing form, preferably in Excel or CSV format. Please don't spend time populating these fields if they aren't readily available - we welcome receiving the raw register as it exists in your system.

Where available, we are particularly interested in the following fields (though this is not a strict requirement):

- **Contract Title**
- **Supplier Name**
- **Estimated Spend (Total or Annual)**
- **Contract Duration and Total Period (including extensions)**
- **Contract Start and Expiry Dates**
- **Review Date**
- **Contract Description**
- **Contract Owner (Name, Job Title, Contact Details if available)**
- **Contract Notes**
- **Managing Department**
- **Award Date**
- **Participating Organisations**
- **Procurement Category**
- Framework or Tender References
- **Central Purchasing Body**
- Classification Codes (CPV, Pro-Class, etc.)

## Answer:

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

Section 12(1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 states: Section 12(1) does not oblige a public authority to comply with a request for information if the authority estimates that the cost of complying with the request would exceed the appropriate limit

The Trust has reviewed your request for information and in order to collate this information, it would be necessary to review and collate all relevant information as requested. The Trust estimates that it would take over 18 hours to complete.

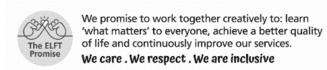
Under S16 of the FOI Act we have a duty to provide advice and assistance. As such the Trust has provided the latest register that is currently available. Please see Appendix 1 attached.

Question 2: Total Number of Active Contracts - Please confirm the total number of contracts currently listed as active.

Answer: 674.

Procurement Strategy (2025/2026) - Please provide your organisation's Question 3: Procurement Strategy for 2025/2026.

> If this is part of a multi-year strategy (e.g., 2024–2028), please provide the most recent version covering 2025/2026 or indicate when this will be available.



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If any parts are redacted, please identify the redacted sections and the reason.

Answer: The Trust has reviewed question 3 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 a procurement strategy as requested. All departments use the Trust Strategy as the guiding principle. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

Question 4: Contact Information - If possible, please provide the name, job title, phone number, and email address for the following roles:

Responsible officer for API access or data sharing (if applicable)

Philippa Graves, Chief Digital Officer. Answer:

Tel: 020 7655 4000

Email: philippa.graves1@nhs.net

Individual managing the contract register

Answer: Kevin Curnow, Chief Finance Officer.

Tel: 020 7655 4000

Email: kevincurnow@nhs.net

**Finance Director** 

Answer: Kevin Curnow, Chief Finance Officer.

Tel: 020 7655 4000

Email: kevincurnow@nhs.net

Head/Director of Procurement or Purchasing

Kevin Curnow, Chief Finance Officer. Answer:

Tel: 020 7655 4000

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**Head/Director of ICT** 

Philippa Graves, Chief Digital Officer. Answer:

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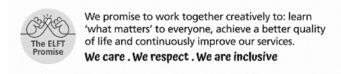
**Head of Estates and Facilities** 

Answer: David Stevens. Director of Estates and Facilities.

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Relevant Committee Member, Councillor, or Board Member for **Procurement/Finance** 



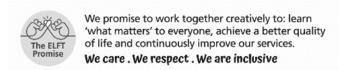
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