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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – BARIATRIC EQUIPMENT

I write in response to your request for information in relation to bariatric equipment.

Question:

1. I wish to know how much your trust has spent on specialist bariatric equipment for obese/bariatric patients (patients over 160kg) during the last three financial years?
2. Please give a breakdown of the type of equipment used by the trust and the amounts spent, split between Rental expenditure and Purchased Equipment?
3. If equipment used is on a Rental basis, please specify if this was under a contract basis or ad hoc?
4. When is the contract due for renewal?
5. If known, who is the contract with?
6. If under a contract, please supply the means of contract award, i.e framework or direct award.

Answer:

1.	£529, 895.19 Ex Vat
2.	These include – Beds £443,239.25. Armchairs £54,479.00. Commode £32,176.94. All ex Vat. All equipment is a rental basis.
3.	Contract - NHS Shared Business Services Framework
4.	31 st December 2025 Option available for a 1 year extension. More information if required is available via NHS Shared Business Services.
5.	ARJO Huntleigh.
6.	Direct Award

I hope the information provided helps with your request.

If you are unhappy with our response to your request, you do have the right to request us to review it. Your request should be made within 40 working days of receipt of this letter, and we will reply within 20 working days of receipt. If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to make a formal complaint to the Scottish Information

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Commissioner within 6 months of receipt of our review response. You can do this by using the Scottish Information Commissioner's Office online appeals service at www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal. If you remain dissatisfied with the Commissioner's response you then have the option to appeal to the Court of Session on a point of law.

If you require a review of our decision to be carried out, please write to the FOI Reviewer at the email address at the head of this letter. The review will be undertaken by a Reviewer who was not involved in the original decision-making process.

FOI responses (subject to redaction of personal information) may appear on NHS Lothian's Freedom of Information website at: <https://org.nhslothian.scot/FOI/Pages/default.aspx>

Yours sincerely

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