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Dear

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION – VENTILATORS

I write in response to your request for information in relation to ventilators.

Question:

- Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I would like to request access to existing recorded information held by **NHS Lothian** relating to **life-support ventilators** (ICU, HDU, Non-Invasive Ventilation, and JET ventilators).

Please provide an extract from the Board's current **equipment or asset register** showing all ventilators in use across the Board's sites, including:

- **Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh**
- **Western General Hospital**
- **St John's Hospital, Livingston**
- **Royal Hospital for Children and Young People**
- **Royal Edinburgh Hospital**
- All associated community hospitals and community health services across Lothian

For each ventilator, please include:

1. Ventilator Details

- Manufacturer
- Model
- Year of purchase (*If the purchase year is not recorded, please provide the installation year instead.*)

2. Replacement / Upgrade Plans

- If held, confirmation of whether ventilator replacement or upgrade is recorded as planned within the next **24 months** (*Yes/No only – no further detail required.*)

3. Format

If the information is already held within a single document or register, please provide that document.

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Answer:

Please see enclosed PDF.

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 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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