

Request title:
Nightingale hospitals

Reference Number: F2614
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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response, in **blue bold text** below:

**Request and Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
Response**

Please provide the following information. I make this request under the freedom of Information Act.

- 1) The locations of the NHS Nightingale hospitals and field hospitals with other names that opened in your area during the Covid-19 pandemic.

**Please find link to the nightingale Hospital as follows:-
<https://nightingale-exeter.nhs.uk/>**

- 2) The date on which each hospital opened and the date on which it was placed on stand-by as the pandemic subsided.

Please see answer to question 1.

- 3) The cost of setting up each hospital and the total cost of setting up the hospitals.

**£19,807K – This is the real costs incurred by Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust
£22,643K is the total set up costs of NHS Nightingale Hospital Exeter including costs incurred by other organisations)**

- 4) The running costs of each hospital and the total running costs for the hospitals.

£409K NHS Nightingale Hospital Exeter – monthly stand-by costs incurred by Royal Devon and Exeter NHS Foundation Trust

- 5) A breakdown of the set up and running cost spending over £10,000 and how much was paid to each supplier.
Please provide this information as a spreadsheet under the following headings: date, expense type, expense area, supplier, transaction number, amount (£), VAT registration number, purchase invoice number.

Please see below a breakdown of costs.

All other information requested in question 5 is considered commercially sensitive and cannot be disclosed. This information is commercially sensitive and its release would, or would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of the Trust. In applying the exemption under section 43(2) the Trust has had to balance the public interest in withholding the information against the public interest in disclosure. The Trust has considered all the relevant factors in the public interest test and has reached the conclusion that the benefit to the public in applying the exemption outweighs the public interest in releasing the information requested, as a result of the prejudices and losses that would potentially affect the Trust and patients. The release could jeopardise the company's future positions, which would cause a detrimental knock on effect on the market place, and would potentially limit the choices available to public authorities, including the Trust. This would potentially threaten the quality of products and services available to the Trust. The Trust considers that it is not in the public interest to do anything to undermine the competitive nature of the procurement process, and the disclosure of key information, as has been requested, could have that affect. The Trust believes that the consequences of releasing the information are serious and the likelihood of this occurring is high.

Therefore in conclusion, the Trust has reached the decision that the release of the information requested would be likely to be prejudicial to the commercial interests of the company concerned and the Trust, and that the public interest in withholding the information is greater than the public interest in releasing the information, and as such the information is being withheld under section 43 (2) of the Freedom of Information Act.

Description of spend	£000s
Construction Costs	16,937
Equipment	988
IT costs	348
Project Management/Consultancy	113
Legal Costs and other Professional Fees	35
Hard Costs and Soft FM Costs	108
Clinical supplies	172

Linen	55
Uniforms	20
Staff Costs	414
All other	618

Running costs – Monthly	
Stand-by costs	
Staff Costs	157
Security	29
Property and Maintenance	21
Rental	120
Utilities/rates	39
All other	43

- 6) The number of staff at each hospital (please split between paid staff and volunteers and types of occupations (ie nurses, doctors, orderlies etc)).
All staff are working in their main hospitals and will be released if NHE is required for further surge. The number of staff released will depend on the number and type of beds required.
- 7) The number of beds at each hospital. **116**
- 8) The number of ICU beds at each hospital.
44 that can be utilised as ITU, however these beds can be used flexibly.
- 9) The number of patients treated at each hospital. **Nil**
- 10) The number of deaths at each hospital. **Nil**
- 11) The number of patients turned away from each hospital. **Nil**