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I am responding to your request for information received **18th August 2022**. 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,



Lara Cousens
Information Governance Manager – Information Rights

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

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Request: I am writing to request information relating to your organisation's computers (desktop and laptop).

In 2025, Microsoft is set to end security support for the Windows 10 operating system. Replacement OS Windows 11 has much higher hardware requirements, which will leave many computers unable to run it safely.

I would like to request information on the number of desktop and laptop organisations currently in use at your organisation that meet these requirements. I am specifically interested in finding out how many computers do not have processors approved for the new OS. I have attached a list of approved processors.

Question 1: How many computers (desktop or laptop) are currently owned by and in use at your organisation?

Question 2: How many of these do not have a Windows 11-approved processor (as determined by the attached list)?

Answer: The Trust has reviewed questions 1 and 2 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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Section 31(1)(a) of the FOI Act states:

31(1) Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice (a) the prevention or detection of crime,

If the number of devices is made public, assumptions could be made on the number of units and increase the probability of a ransomware attack. Equally if the Trust releases information regarding potentially vulnerable devices that use an unsupported system, this again leaves the Trust at risk of a cyber-attack. For this reason an exemption has been applied.



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