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I am responding to your request for information received **4<sup>th</sup> January 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,



Shuchi Joshi  
Senior Information Governance Coordinator – 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.

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**Chief Executive:** Paul Calaminus  
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**Request:**

**Question 1: The number of operating theatres (OTs) in your Trust by type (e.g., day case, general, obstetrics etc.)**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 1 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 is primarily a Mental Health and Community Health Trust and as such does not have operating theatres described in this request. We are therefore unable to provide a response.

**Question 2: For each type of OT (e.g., day, general, obstetrics etc.), please provide the number of OTs:**

- a) With no ventilation system**
- b) With a 'conventional' ventilation system**
- c) With an Ultra Clean Ventilation (UCV) / laminar flow ventilation system**
- d) That are 'Integrated' OTs (e.g. connected by a digital control panel)**

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

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**Question 3: The number of OT ventilation system that were refurbished/replaced in the last 5 years. For each, please list the supplier and capital cost of the equipment**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 3 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 4: For OT ventilation systems, where there is a servicing agreement, please specify:**

- a) Total value and duration of the servicing contract**
- b) Provider of the servicing contract**
- c) Renewal date**
- d) Type of agreement (e.g., framework, warranty, tender etc.)**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 4 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 5: Your Trust's annual capital equipment spend on the following OT equipment, for the last 5 years**

- a) OT ventilation systems**
- b) Theatre control panels**
- c) Operating lights**
- d) Medical pendants**
- e) Mobile ventilation systems**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 5 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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**Question 6: The annual number of surgeries performed outside of an operating theatre, for the last 5 years**

- a) The number of those where a mobile ventilation system was used for the same period**

**Answer:** The Trust has reviewed question 6 of your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOI) 2000.

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