

Freedom of Information Act Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Please provide the following information relating to the Applicant Tracking System (ATS) currently used by Doncaster and Bassetlaw Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust:

ATS details

- The name of the Applicant Tracking System currently in use: **Civica Trac Recruitment System**
- The supplier/vendor of the system: **CIVICA UK LIMITED**

Contract information

- The start date of the current ATS contract: **22/05/2023**
- The end date of the current ATS contract: **The contract expires on 21/05/2026 direct award will be made April 2026**
- Any extension options included within the contract (if applicable): **12 month extension exercised on 22/05/2025**

Contract value (£): **The contract value (£) is exempt from disclosure under section 43(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (Commercial interests).**

This exemption applies because disclosure of the contract value would be likely to prejudice the commercial interests of both the Trust and the supplier by:

Undermining the Trust's position in future procurement and contract negotiations

Revealing commercially sensitive pricing information that is not publicly available

Following consideration of the public interest test, the Trust has concluded that:

While there is a public interest in transparency around the use of public funds, this is outweighed by the need to protect commercially sensitive information to ensure the Trust is able to obtain best value in future procurements.

Future procurement

- Whether the Trust intends to re-tender for the ATS at the end of the current contract: **The Trust intends to direct award to the current incumbent via framework.**
- If known, the anticipated timeframe for any future tender or procurement process: **The contract expires on 21/05/2026 direct award will be made April 2026**

Contract ownership

- The job title and department of the officer with primary responsibility for managing the current ATS contract: **N/A**

Procurement responsibility

- The job title and department of the person primarily responsible for procurement of recruitment or HR systems within the Trust: **Procurement Category Manager - procurement**

If you are not satisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to request an internal review. Requests for an internal review should be submitted within 40 working days from the date of this response, and should be addressed to

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If you remain dissatisfied after the internal review, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO). The ICO can be contacted at:

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