

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2021.998 Released - 11 November 2021

Thank you for your email received 9 November 2021 requesting information regarding inventory management.

Please find detailed below a summary of your request, together with our response.

Summary of your original request:

- 1. Is artificial intelligence or robotics used anywhere within the hospital, if so where?
- 2. Inventory Management: Is artificial intelligence/ automation used within the hospital's inventory management system?
- 3. If you answered 'Yes' to question 2, what inventory management / automation system is deployed? please provide the name of the developer or software.
- 4. To what extent did automation help during the early stages of the Covid 19 pandemic (Jan 2020- Dec 2020)
- 5. To what extent did automation help during the Brexit transition period
- 6. Were any lessons learnt on improving inventory management as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic or Brexit?
- 7. Where is hospital inventory stored?
- 8. How is unwanted inventory disposed of?
- 9. May we contact you to learn more about your inventory management system? If yes, please provide an email address and a contact name
- 10. Name of Trust

This is not something that is used by the Kent Community Health NHS Foundation Trust; therefore we do not hold any information pertinent to your request.