

Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act – 2022.051
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Thank you for your email received 24 May 2022 requesting information regarding SIM cards and mobile networks.

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

Summary of your original request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 I would like to request the following information related to SIM card/mobile networks for Kent Community Health Nhs Foundation Trust.

NOTE we do not require handset information.

1. How many mobile phone/devices do you have (this includes smartphone users, basic mobile phone users, data only users and any other device that requires a SIM card?)

9456 connections in total

2. How many data only devices do you have which are using SIM Cards?

4284

3. What is the yearly data usage for your data only SIMS?

96TB

4. What is the yearly data usage across all SIMS?

115.2TB

5. Which networks are you currently with?

Our main supplier is Vodafone, but we also have a number of connections with EE

6. What is the length of the contract and when are these contracts due to expire?

EE – we pay for the active connections each on 2 year contracts, Vodafone – ends December 2022. Mobile contract is currently out to tender

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7. Who is the person responsible for administration of these contracts and what is their job title?

It is Trust policy to not release names and contact details of staff below Executive Director Level as this constitutes personal information which is exempt under Section 40(2) in conjunction with Section 40(3A)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 which relates to 'Personal Information'.

An excerpt of the relevant Freedom of Information legislation can be found below:

Section 40 – Personal information

(2) Any information to which a request for information relates is also exempt information if—

(a) it constitutes personal data which does not fall within subsection (1), and

(b) either the first, second or third condition below is satisfied.

(3a) The first condition is that the disclosure of the information to a member of the public otherwise than under this Act

(a) would contravene any of the data protection principles, or

(b) would do so if the exemptions in section 24(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018 (manual unstructured data held by public authorities) were disregarded.

However we are able to confirm that the Executive Director with overall responsibility for Telecoms is Gerard Sammon – Director of Strategy and Partnerships.