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Dear [REDACTED]

### **Request for Information**

I write further to your request FOI ID 34131 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Cable Ties

Your request is set out below:

1. Can you advise if the trust uses plain or printed cable ties for their waste ?, if the answer is no, would the trust consider using them , if the price is right for the trust ?, also we would like to let the trust know we currently supply around 65% of the NHS, and within the next 18 months the cable ties will be fully biodegradable from SPK promotions , but currently we only use and supply nylon PA66, would this be of interest?

**Overall across the Trust cable ties are not used and instead the staff are advised to use the 'swan neck' method for securing waste bags. Individual sites are able to purchase them via Supply Chain.**

2. Can you advise the size of cable tie, the colour, quantity per annum and print required?

**N/A**

3. Can you advise if you are currently under contract if so when is the end date?

**N/A**

4. Can you advise the person or departments contact details, who deals with these and orders them?

**N/A - not used/required**

5. Can you advise the price per thousand of these which the trust would like to pay to keep their consumable prices down, not what they pay already?

**This is not something the Trust would be interested in as the Trust currently do not purchase these.**

**We are proud to be smoke free**

Trust Chair – Dr Jackie Craissati  
Chief Executive – Helen Greatorex

6. Would the trust like to see samples from SPK promotions, free of charge, if yes please advise a contact dept or person and a full postal address?

**No thank you, this is not something the Trust would be interested in.**

7. Can we advise the trust that we currently can provide as many prints as possible (maybe for wards and departments to have their own ties) instead of just 1 generic print (i.e. the trust name), and we have the facility and large storage to print ahead and store until delivery, so no lead times, is this of interest?

**No thank you, this is not something the Trust would be interested in.**

8. Can we advise the trust we can supply references if needed from the many trusts we already supply, is this of interest?

**No thank you, this is not something the Trust would be interested in.**

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of  
The Information Governance Department