



# Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh Teaching Hospitals

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Date Received: 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Response Due: 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024

Date: 28<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

**Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information about Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust:**

**For the financial year 2021/2022:**

Q#	Question	Your answer
1	Did you use an external VAT/ tax advisor? (If no, please disregard all other questions for this financial year)	Yes
2	What was the FY spend on VAT/ tax advice (£)	£57,919.00
3	What was the name of the primary VAT/ tax advice supplier?	Liaison
4	Was this advice procured on a contract or an ad hoc basis?	Contract
<i>If the answer to Q. 4 is 'ad hoc' please go directly to Q. 6. If the answer to Q. 4 is 'contract', then:</i>		
5a	What was the contract start date?	01/08/2020
5b	What was/ is the contract end date?	31/07/2024
5c	Which framework agreement was used for contract procurement?	CCS
6	What support/advice was included in the contract (e.g. VAT, Corporation tax, National Insurance)?	VAT

**For the financial year 2022/ 2023:**

Q#	Question	Your answer
1	Did you use an external VAT/ tax advisor? (If no, please disregard all	Yes

	other questions for this financial year)	
2	What was the FY spend on VAT/ tax advice (£)	£58,154.00
3	What was the name of the primary VAT/ tax advice supplier?	Liaison
4	Was this advice procured on a contract or an ad hoc basis?	Contract
<i>If the answer to Q. 4 is 'ad hoc' please go directly to Q. 6. If the answer to Q. 4 is 'contract', then:</i>		
5a	What was the contract start date?	01/08/2020
5b	What was/ is the contract end date?	31/07/2024
5c	Which framework agreement was used for contract procurement?	CCS
6	What support/advice was included in the contract (e.g. VAT, Corporation tax, National Insurance)?	VAT

For the financial year 2023/ 2024:

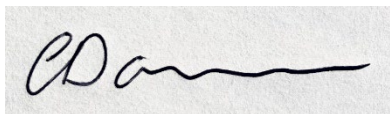
Q#	Question	Your answer
1	Did you use an external VAT/ tax advisor? (If no, please disregard all other questions for this financial year)	Yes
2	What was the FY spend on VAT/ tax advice (£)	£62,920
3	What was the name of the primary VAT/ tax advice supplier?	Liaison
4	Was this advice procured on a contract or an ad hoc basis?	Contract
<i>If the answer to Q. 4 is 'ad hoc' please go directly to Q. 6. If the answer to Q. 4 is 'contract', then:</i>		
5a	What was the contract start date?	01/08/2020
5b	What was/ is the contract end date?	31/07/2024
5c	Which framework agreement was used for contract procurement?	CCS
6	What support/advice was included in the contract (e.g. VAT, Corporation tax, National Insurance)?	VAT

Year to date for financial year 2024/2025:

Q#	Question	Your answer
1	Are you using an external VAT/ tax advisor? (If no, please disregard all other questions for this financial year)	Yes
2	What is your forecast FY spend on VAT/ tax advice (£)	£64,000
3	What is the name of the primary VAT/ tax advice supplier?	Liaison
4	Are these advice service(s) procured on a contract or ad hoc basis?	Contract
<i>If the answer to Q. 4 is 'ad hoc' please go directly to Q. 6. If the answer to Q. 4 is 'contract', then:</i>		
5a	What was the contract start date?	01/09/2024
5b	What was/ is the contract end date?	31/08/2027
5c	Is there an option to extend the contract?	Yes
5d	If already expired, do you plan to procure a new contract?	N/A
5e	Which framework agreement was used for contract procurement?	CCS
6	What support/advice is included in the contract?	VAT

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light grey background. The signature appears to be 'CD' followed by a long, wavy line.

Claire Donovan  
Programme Director - Finance Transformation

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Helpline number: 0303 123 111