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## SECURITY / CYBER SECURITY Insurance

Information requested	Information Held
Does your organisation currently have cyber insurance or plan to invest in cyber insurance in the next 12 months?	Information withheld on basis of cyber security*
If you have cyber insurance who is the policy with?	Information withheld on basis of cyber security*
If you have cyber insurance when does the policy come up for renewal?	Information withheld on basis of cyber security*
If you have cyber insurance what is the cost of your current policy or renewal?	Information withheld on basis of cyber security*

\* All of this information is exempt from release under Section 31(1)(a) – Law Enforcement and Section 43 – Commercial Interests.

Section 31(1)(a) states that information is exempt if its disclosure is likely to prejudice the prevention or detection of crime. ICO guidance states that this can be used to protect information on a public authority’s systems, which would make it more vulnerable to crime. It can be used by a public authority that has no law enforcement function:

- To protect the work of one that does
- To withhold information that would make anyone, including the public authority itself, more vulnerable to crime.

Section 43(2) states that information is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of any person (including the public authority holding it). Disclosure of the requested information would leave Belfast Trusts digital infrastructure at significant risk of cyber security attack. This would compromise Belfast Trust’s ability to provide Health and Care Services and carry on business-as-usual should the digital systems be compromised.

Both of these exemptions are Qualified Exemptions and are therefore subject to a Public Interest Test (PIT).

I can confirm that we have now carried out a PIT and the outcome is to maintain both exemptions and withhold the information from release.