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Energy Management

I am writing to submit a Freedom of Information (FOI) request regarding information related to the organisation's gas and electricity contracts, as well as details on the energy management system.

Please acknowledge this request within the legally required timeframe.

****Gas and Electricity Contracts: ****

1. Energy Provider

Gas – Firmus Electricity – Electric Ireland

2. Annual Spend for each provider for the past 3 financial years.

Year	Gas	Electricity
23/24	£11,763,517.57	Not released under S43
22/23	£18,013,210.30	Not released under S43
21/22	£17,124,608.96	Not released under S43

This information is regarded as commercially sensitive and is exempt from disclosure under S43 Commercial Interest

[Section 43: commercial interest](#)

Section 43 of the Act sets out an exemption from the right to know if:

- the information requested is a trade secret, or
- release of the information is likely to prejudice the commercial interests of any person. (A person may be an individual, a company, the public authority itself or any other legal entity).

3. Contract Duration (Including any extensions)

Gas – 3 years

Electricity – 3 years

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4. Contract start date

Natural Gas
 01/04/2023

Metered Electric
 01/04/2024

5. Contract Expiry Date

Natural Gas
 31/03/2026

Metered Electric
 31/04/2027

6. Contract Review Dates

Both contracts review daily by way of daily position reports and regular meetings held

7. Contact details of the person responsible, including job title

George McCracken – Head of Estates Risk & Environment, BHSCT

8. Total Consumption of Gas, please provide me with the latest figure in cubic metres.

Please see below gas consumption from 2021 to end March 2024-

21/22	207,361,190 kWh
22/23	199,577,351 kWh
23/24	202,600,439 kWh

9. Total Consumption of Electricity (NHH), please provide me with the latest figure in kWh for the past 3 financial years.

It would take more than 18 hours to provide this breakdown of data. . To undertake this exercise would necessitate a manual interrogation of data which would involve a significant number of hours. This would exceed the costs limit specified in the FOI act.

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We estimate that compliance with this element of the request for information would exceed the appropriate costs limit. Under Section 12 of the Freedom of Information 2000, the limit has been specified as £450 and represents the estimated cost of one or more persons spending 18 hours in determining whether we hold the information, locating, retrieving and extracting this information

– the totalised electricity use is as follows:

23/24 78,398,767.15 kWh
22/23 77,639,335.35 kWh
21/22 75,415,002.48 kWh

10. Total Consumption of Electricity (HH), please provide me with the latest figure in kWh for the past 3 financial years.

It would take more than 18 hours to provide this breakdown of data, as above

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Questions 1-12 of this section below are not applicable, as the Trust does not operate an EMS system as described below. At this stage we cannot confirm a date when an EMS contract may be implemented.

Energy Management System Contract(s) - Contract(s) relating to the organisation's energy management system. An energy management system (EMS) is a system of computer-aided tools used by operators of electric utility grids to monitor, control, and optimise the performance of the generation or transmission system.

If the organisation does not have an Energy Management System, please confirm when this will be implemented. It would be great if you mention the tentative date/month.

Energy Management System

- 1. Provider name**
- 2. Annual Spend**
- 3. Contract Duration (Including any extensions)**

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- 4. Contract Expiry Date**
- 5. Contract start date**
- 6. Contract Review Date**
- 7. Contract Description – A description of the services provided.**
- 8. Brand of the software**
- 9. Total number of meter points for electricity:**
 - a. Non-Half Hourly (NHH) meter points**
 - b. Half Hourly (HH) meter points**
- 10. Total number of Gas meter points**
- 11. Total number of meter points for specialist gases and liquids**
- 12. Contact details of the person responsible, including job title**