Ref: FOI/00138/CMICB 02 December 2022

#### **Your Request:**

- 1) Contract Title: Please provide me with the contract title.
- 2) Type of Contracts (ABOVE): Please can you provide me with one or more contract types the contract relates to: Server Hardware, Virtualisation, SAN (Storage Area Network)
- 3) Existing/Current Supplier: Please provide me with the supplier name for each contract.
- 4) Brand: Please state the brand of hardware or software
- 5) Operating System / Software (Platform): (Windows, Linux, Unix, Vsphere, AIX, Solaris etc.) Please state the operating system used by the organisation.
- 6) Annual Average Spend: Please provide me with the most recent annual spend for this contract?
- 7) Contract Duration: (Please can you also include notes if the contract includes any contract Extension periods.)
- 8) Contract Expiry Date: Please can you provide me with the date of when the contract expires.
- 9) Contract Review Date: (An approximate date of when the organisation is planning to review this particular contract.)
- 10) Purchase of Servers: Could you please provide me with the month and year in which most/bulk of servers were purchased.
- 11) Number of Physical Server: Please can you provide me with the number of physical servers.
- 12) Number of Virtual Servers: Please can you provide me with the number of Virtual servers
- 13) Brief Contract Description: I require a brief description of the service provided under this contract. Please do not just put maintenance. I need at least a sentence.
- 14) Contract Owner: (The person from within the organisation that is responsible for reviewing and renewing this particular contract. Please include their full name, job title, direct contact number and direct email address.)

**Our Response:** 

Please find listed below the information held for the former CCG areas that now make up NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB in relation to the questions posed in respect of data centre contracts:

### Cheshire

1 – 14) Information not held. Please be advised that Midlands & Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit (MLCSU) are commissioned to provide ICT Services including data centre management to the former NHS Cheshire CCG area. You may therefore wish to re-direct your request for this information directly to MLCSU who can be contacted for Freedom of Information requests via NHS England, as the host of MLCSU, on the following email address: england.contactus@nhs.net.

#### Halton

1 – 14) Information not held. Please be advised that Midlands & Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit (MLCSU) are commissioned to provide ICT Services including data centre management to the former NHS Halton CCG area. You may therefore wish to re-direct your request for this information directly to MLCSU who can be contacted for Freedom of Information requests via NHS England, as the host of MLCSU, on the following email address: england.contactus@nhs.net.

# Knowsley

1 – 14) Information not held. Please be advised that Mid Mersey Digital Alliance (MMDA) are commissioned to provide ICT Services including data centre management to the former NHS Knowsley CCG area. You may therefore wish to re-direct your request for this information directly to MMDA who can be contacted via the following email address: <a href="mailto:enquiries@midmerseyda.nhs.uk">enquiries@midmerseyda.nhs.uk</a>

# Liverpool

- 1) Data centre host infrastructure, server extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 2) Nimble SAN & ESX Hosts, Server Extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 3) HP for the SAN. Park Place for the Server Extended maintenance and CDW Ltd for the VMWare licenses.
- 4) HP Servers, HP Nimble SAN, VMWare for virtualisation
- 5) Windows and vSphere v7.
- 6) Data centre host infrastructure: £81,309. Server extended maintenance: £5,898. VMWare licenses: £11,247.
- 7) The Nimble SAN and ESX hosts are on a year-to-year contract extension following earlier 5-year contract, with extension starting Oct 2022. The Server Extended maintenance is renewed each year. The VMWare maintenance is on a 3-year contract with CDW and started Jul 2021.
- 8) Nimble and ESX Hosts expires in Oct 2023. The Server Extended maintenance is Sep 2023. The VMWare maintenance contract expires in July 2024
- 9) The SAN and ESX hosts will be reviewed in Apr 2023 and the other two contracts will be reviewed 1 month prior the renewal date.

- 10) Servers are mainly reviewed and procured each March depending on the Trust requirements/ investment plans.
- 11) There are 15 physical servers.
- 12) There are 86 virtual servers.
- 13) The SAN and ESX Host contract is to provide support and hardware maintenance. The Park Place contract is a hardware support contract, which is in place until the physical servers have been upgraded or decommissioned. The VMWare contract is required so we have the ability to use the latest software releases.
- 14) Senior Technical Architect, at NHS Informatics Merseyside\*.

#### **South Sefton**

- 1) Data centre host infrastructure, server extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 2) Nimble SAN & ESX Hosts, Server Extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 3) HP for the SAN. Park Place for the Server Extended maintenance and CDW Ltd for the VMWare licenses.
- 4) HP Servers, HP Nimble SAN, VMWare for virtualisation
- 5) Windows and vSphere v7.
- 6) Data centre host infrastructure: £30,248. Server extended maintenance: £2,173. VMWare licenses: £4,144.
- 7) The Nimble SAN and ESX hosts are on a year-to-year contract extension following earlier 5-year contract, with extension starting Oct 2022. The Server Extended maintenance is renewed each year. The VMWare maintenance is on a 3-year contract with CDW and started Jul 2021.
- 8) Nimble and ESX Hosts expires in Oct 2023. The Server Extended maintenance is Sep 2023. The VMWare maintenance contract expires in July 2024.
- 9) The SAN and ESX hosts will be reviewed in Apr 2023 and the other two contracts will be reviewed 1 month prior the renewal date.
- 10) Servers are mainly reviewed and procured each March depending on the Trust requirements/ investment plans.
- 11) There are 5 physical servers.
- 12) There are 32 virtual servers.
- 13) The SAN and ESX Host contract is to provide support and hardware maintenance. The Park Place contract is a hardware support contract, which is in place until the physical servers have been upgraded or decommissioned. The VMWare contract is required so we have the ability to use the latest software releases.
- 14) Senior Technical Architect, at NHS Informatics Merseyside\*.

### **Southport & Formby**

- 1) Data centre host infrastructure, server extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 2) Nimble SAN & ESX Hosts, Server Extended maintenance, VMWare licenses.
- 3) HP for the SAN. Park Place for the Server Extended maintenance and CDW Ltd for the VMWare licenses.
- 4) HP Servers, HP Nimble SAN, VMWare for virtualisation
- 5) Windows and vSphere v7.

- 6) Data centre host infrastructure: £13,935. Server extended maintenance: £989. VMWare licenses: £1,887.
- 7) The Nimble SAN and ESX hosts are on a year-to-year contract extension following earlier 5-year contract, with extension starting Oct 2022. The Server Extended maintenance is renewed each year. The VMWare maintenance is on a 3-year contract with CDW and started Jul 2021.
- 8) Nimble and ESX Hosts expires in Oct 2023. The Server Extended maintenance is Sep 2023. The VMWare maintenance contract expires in July 2024.
- 9) The SAN and ESX hosts will be reviewed in Apr 2023 and the other two contracts will be reviewed 1 month prior the renewal date.
- 10) Servers are mainly reviewed and procured each March depending on the Trust requirements/ investment plans.
- 11) There are 2 physical servers.
- 12) There are 15 virtual servers.
- 13) The SAN and ESX Host contract is to provide support and hardware maintenance. The Park Place contract is a hardware support contract, which is in place until the physical servers have been upgraded or decommissioned. The VMWare contract is required so we have the ability to use the latest software releases.
- 14) Senior Technical Architect, at NHS Informatics Merseyside\*.

#### St Helens

1 – 14) Information not held. Please be advised that Mid Mersey Digital Alliance (MMDA) are commissioned to provide ICT Services including data centre management to the former NHS St Helens CCG area. You may therefore wish to re-direct your request for this information directly to MMDA who can be contacted via the following email address: <a href="mailto:enquiries@midmerseyda.nhs.uk">enquiries@midmerseyda.nhs.uk</a>

# Warrington

1 – 14) Information not held. Please be advised that Midlands & Lancashire Commissioning Support Unit (MLCSU) are commissioned to provide ICT Services including data centre management to the former NHS Warrington CCG area. You may therefore wish to re-direct your request for this information directly to MLCSU who can be contacted for Freedom of Information requests via NHS England, as the host of MLCSU, on the following email address: england.contactus@nhs.net.

### Wirral

- 1) Data Management & DSCRO Services.
- 2) Information not held\*.
- 3) NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit.
- 4, 5) Information not held\*.
- 6) Annual contract value with NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit for data management and DSCRO is £74,000.
- 7, 8, 9) Current contract duration with NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit for data management and DSCRO is 12 months,

from 01 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 (with the option to extend for a further 12 months).

- 10, 11, 12, 13) Information not held\*.
- 13) Data Management & DSCRO Services.
- 14) Head of Contracts at Wirral Place\*\*.
- \* You may wish to redirect your request for this information to NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit, as the commissioned provider of data centre management services for the former NHS Wirral CCG area. NHS Arden and Greater East Midlands Commissioning Support Unit can be contacted via: <a href="https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/about-us/contact-us/">https://www.ardengemcsu.nhs.uk/about-us/contact-us/</a>.
- \*\* NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB does hold the information you have requested regarding the names, direct email addresses/telephone numbers for the above staff. However, the names, direct email addresses/telephone numbers of staff members are considered by NHS Cheshire & Merseyside ICB to constitute 'personal information' under the Data Protection Act and, as a result, are exempt from disclosure under section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.