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NN-ICB/25-1286

Dear Requestor

Re: Review of FOI Request 25/1286– Information on Late Paid Suppliers

Thank you for your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), received on 13 August 2025, regarding late-paid supplier invoices. We issued our response on 11 September 2025.

Following your request for us to review our original response, we have reconsidered the application of Section 43(2) Freedom of Information Act 2000 to the supplier names that were withheld.

Review outcome

In our original response, we withheld supplier names on the basis that disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the commercial interests of the suppliers or of NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB.

We have now revisited this decision and considered the likelihood of any actual prejudice to commercial interests if this information were released. While there remains a general public interest in protecting commercially sensitive information, on balance we consider that the release of supplier names in this context is unlikely to cause harm to commercial interests, and that there is some public interest in transparency regarding the use of public funds.

Taking these factors into account, we have decided that the balance of the public interest test now favours disclosure.

Revised response

We are, therefore, providing an updated version of the spreadsheet previously supplied, which now includes the supplier names alongside the other information requested.

We hope this addresses your request. If you remain dissatisfied, you can apply to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO), who will consider whether the organisation has complied with its obligations under the Act and can require the organisation to remedy any problems. Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by NHS Nottingham and Nottinghamshire ICB. You can find out more about how to do this, and about the Act in general, on the Information Commissioner's Office website at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/>

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Yours sincerely

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