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Thank you for your request concerning "Making the NHS Greener"

Your request has been considered and processed in accordance with the requirements of the Freedom of Information (FOI) Act 2000.

**1. What happens to the NHS equipment that gets decommissioned, is not cost effective for repair or is in surplus?**

Computers are securely disposed of as per the current NHS Digital/England guidelines

**2. Which department of the Trust is responsible for making such decisions?**

Hertfordshire, Bedfordshire and Luton ICT Shared Services (HBL ICT) and the Information Management & Technology Department (IM&T) are responsible for computers.

**3. Is there a nationwide guideline implemented by the NHS that all trusts must abide by?**

Please see the answer to question 1.

**4. Any suggestions on how the NHS can be made "greener"?**

The right of access created by the Freedom of Information Act only applies to recorded information. This does not include requests asking for a suggestions, opinions or general advice.

Should you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Please find enclosed an information sheet regarding copyright protection and the Trust's complaints procedure in the event that you are not satisfied with the response.

Yours sincerely

*Sue Smith*

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**Information Rights Officer**

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

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