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Our Ref: FOI/04904

Thank you for your request concerning our fleet vehicles.

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

Please can you supply me with the following information?

Registration number:

Make:

Model:

of all vehicles currently on your fleet list and all vehicles sold between 14/11/2022 and 05/09/2023

Please see attached list of vehicles currently in our fleet. I can confirm that no vehicles were sold between 14/11/2022 and 05/09/2023.

As per our previous responses (FOI 4904 and FOI 4267) and internal review response, we have again applied Section 31(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), to the full disclosure of fleet registration numbers.

Under Section 31(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), information that could make the Trust vulnerable to crime is exempt. Section 31(1) is a qualified exemption, which means that it is also subject to a public interest test.

Reasons in favour of disclosure

We acknowledge public interest in that we wish to be open and transparent. However, we also consider protecting the Trust's interests.

Reasons against disclosure

We are concerned that if the full registration number of our fleet vehicles is disclosed this information could be used unlawfully for criminal activity and have an adverse impact upon the Trust. Once these details are in the public domain they could be used for vehicle cloning or theft, using false number plates for fuel theft, burglaries/robberies, for the avoidance of paying insurance, tax, toll charges, parking fines or to avoid triggering automatic number plate recognition.

We have therefore concluded that this exemption should apply and that withholding this information serves the public interest better than release.

In addition, it is felt that the safety and confidentiality of our vulnerable service users, who travel in these vehicles, is to be taken into consideration.



Again under Section 16 – Duty to provide advice and assistance we have provided you with the first four digits.

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

Sue Smith
Information Rights Officer

Enc: Copyright Protection and Complaints Procedure Information Leaflet.

If you would like to complete a short survey in relation to your Freedom of Information request please scan the QR code below or click [here](#).

