**FOI Ref: 6526**

**Category(ies): Estates and Facilities**

**Subject: Cable Ties**

**Date Received: 27/07/2022**

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| **Your request:** | **Our response:** |
| 1. can you advise if the trust uses plain or printed cable ties for their waste?   if the answer is no, would the trust consider using them, if the price is right for the trust? | We don’t use cable ties for our waste within the hospital.  We use cable ties within the community but only a very small quantity.  We have tried using them in the past within the main hospital but have found that they slip off and the bags then come open. |
| Also, we would like to let the trust know we currently supply around 65% of the NHS, and within the next 18 months the cable ties will be fully biodegradable from SPK promotions, but currently we only use and supply nylon PA66, would this be of interest? | Please be advised the Trust is only obligated to supply information it currently holds under the FOI Act 2000 as under Section 8(1)(c) the FOI act does not cover information that is in someone’s head.  ‘The Act does not cover information that is in someone’s head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it.’ [What is the Freedom of Information Act? | ICO](https://ddec1-0-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fico.org.uk%2ffor%2dorganisations%2fguide%2dto%2dfreedom%2dof%2dinformation%2fwhat%2dis%2dthe%2dfoi%2dact%2f&umid=44115aa1-8da7-412f-b4fe-b2a67dba304b&auth=214c472b0d4a84553d6481f498015f71ae1db4d5-224f2bc1d7946e9238bcdc44287670c71ce211af) |
| 1. Can you advise the size of cable tie, the colour, quantity per annum and print used? | The ones we have in stock are 20 cm long and black and are numbered. We have not ordered some for some time. Estimated 500 per year. |
| 1. Can you advise if you are currently under contract if so when is the end date? | We are not currently under contract. |
| 1. Can you advise the person or departments contact details, who deals with these and orders them? | \*The Waste Officer – [june.cadman@nhs.net](mailto:june.cadman@nhs.net)  \*The name of the relevant individual is detailed. The provision of these contact details **does not** **imply consent for unsolicited correspondence on your part**. As per Section 122 of the Data Protection Act 2018, **permission is not given** to use these details for unsolicited contact. Right to prevent processing for purposes of direct marketing.  *S122 (5) direct marketing” means the communication (by whatever means) of advertising or marketing material which is directed to a particular individual.* |
| 1. Can you advise the price per thousand of these which the trust would like to pay to keep their consumable prices down, not what they pay already? | Please be advised the Trust is only obligated to supply information it currently holds under the FOI Act 2000 as under Section 8(1)(c) the FOI act does not cover information that is in someone’s head.  ‘The Act does not cover information that is in someone’s head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it.’ [What is the Freedom of Information Act? | ICO](https://ddec1-0-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fico.org.uk%2ffor%2dorganisations%2fguide%2dto%2dfreedom%2dof%2dinformation%2fwhat%2dis%2dthe%2dfoi%2dact%2f&umid=44115aa1-8da7-412f-b4fe-b2a67dba304b&auth=214c472b0d4a84553d6481f498015f71ae1db4d5-224f2bc1d7946e9238bcdc44287670c71ce211af) |
| 1. Would the trust like to see samples from SPK promotions, free of charge?   If yes, please advise a contact dept or person and a full postal address. | Please be advised the Trust is only obligated to supply information it currently holds under the FOI Act 2000 as under Section 8(1)(c) the FOI act does not cover information that is in someone’s head.  ‘The Act does not cover information that is in someone’s head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it.’ [What is the Freedom of Information Act? | ICO](https://ddec1-0-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fico.org.uk%2ffor%2dorganisations%2fguide%2dto%2dfreedom%2dof%2dinformation%2fwhat%2dis%2dthe%2dfoi%2dact%2f&umid=44115aa1-8da7-412f-b4fe-b2a67dba304b&auth=214c472b0d4a84553d6481f498015f71ae1db4d5-224f2bc1d7946e9238bcdc44287670c71ce211af) |
| 1. Can we advise the trust that we currently can provide as many prints as possible (maybe for wards and departments to have their own ties) instead of just 1 generic print (i.e. the trust name), and we have the facility and large storage to print ahead and store until delivery, so no lead times, is this of interest? | Please be advised the Trust is only obligated to supply information it currently holds under the FOI Act 2000 as under Section 8(1)(c) the FOI act does not cover information that is in someone’s head.  ‘The Act does not cover information that is in someone’s head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it.’ [What is the Freedom of Information Act? | ICO](https://ddec1-0-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fico.org.uk%2ffor%2dorganisations%2fguide%2dto%2dfreedom%2dof%2dinformation%2fwhat%2dis%2dthe%2dfoi%2dact%2f&umid=44115aa1-8da7-412f-b4fe-b2a67dba304b&auth=214c472b0d4a84553d6481f498015f71ae1db4d5-224f2bc1d7946e9238bcdc44287670c71ce211af) |
| 1. Can we advise the trust we can supply references if needed from the many trusts we already supply, is this of interest? | Please be advised the Trust is only obligated to supply information it currently holds under the FOI Act 2000 as under Section 8(1)(c) the FOI act does not cover information that is in someone’s head.  ‘The Act does not cover information that is in someone’s head. If a member of the public asks for information, you only have to provide information you already have in recorded form. You do not have to create new information or find the answer to a question from staff who may happen to know it.’ [What is the Freedom of Information Act? | ICO](https://ddec1-0-en-ctp.trendmicro.com:443/wis/clicktime/v1/query?url=https%3a%2f%2fico.org.uk%2ffor%2dorganisations%2fguide%2dto%2dfreedom%2dof%2dinformation%2fwhat%2dis%2dthe%2dfoi%2dact%2f&umid=44115aa1-8da7-412f-b4fe-b2a67dba304b&auth=214c472b0d4a84553d6481f498015f71ae1db4d5-224f2bc1d7946e9238bcdc44287670c71ce211af) |