

Maidstone and 
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NHS Trust

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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to public sector financial efficiency.

- 1) *Does the organisation use an external provider for VAT advisory services? If so please state the name of the organisation used? (E.g. Ernst Young, Berthold Bauer, Liaison, CRS, KPMG etc.)?*
- 2) *Please state the contract start and end date.*
- 3) *Please confirm the total value of VAT recovered by the provider in 2015/16*
 - a. *Please state the total value of under-claims recovered*
 - b. *Please state the total value of over-claims recovered*
- 4) *Please state the total amount spent by the organisation for these services in 2015/16*
- 5) *Did the organisation use an external provider to re-review VAT recovered in the last financial year (15/16)?*
 - a. *If so please state the name of the company used*
- 6) *Please state the total amount of additional VAT recovered by the provider in 2015/16*
- 7) *Please state the total amount spent by the organisation for these services*
- 8) *Please state the total number of Accounts Payable invoices processed by the organisation in the last financial year (15/16)*
- 9) *Please state the total value of Accounts Payable invoices in the last financial year (15/16)*
- 10) *In the last five years, please state the name(s) of all external organisation(s) used to review AP and identify and recover erroneous payments, and the period(s) reviewed by each.*
- 11) *Please state the total value of moneys recovered by each provider in the period(s) reviewed.*
- 12) *Please state the total amount paid to any external parties for this review work.*

1. CRS VAT Consulting
2. Start date around 2006 – review date 2016
3. £719,679.08

- a. £988,562.95
- b. -£268,883.87
- 4. £50,137.92 incl VAT
- 5. No
- a. Not applicable
- 6. Not applicable
- 7. Not applicable
- 8. 116,420
- 9. £207,025,000
- 10. Rockford Associates
- 11. £80,508.45
- 12. £17,389.80 incl VAT