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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 Ophthalmic Surgery.

*You asked:*

*Ophthalmology Laser Equipment:*

- 1. How many lasers do you have and which model?*
- 2. When were these devices installed?*
- 3. How many laser procedures are performed annually?*
- 4. Are these lasers under a service contract? When does it run out?*

*Other*

- 5. Are you currently using an Argon laser?*
- 6. How many procedures a year do you perform with this?*

*Ophthalmology Diagnostic Equipment:*

- 7. How many devices do you have and which model?*
- 8. When were these devices installed?*
- 9. When are these due to be replaced?*
- 10. Is there a replacement budget allocated?*
- 11. How many patients per year are imaged with this/ these device/s?*
- 12. Do you have a service contract? When does it expire?*

*Ophthalmic Ultrasound:*

- 13. Are these used for retinal – yes/no, anterior -yes/no, A-Scan – yes/no*

*General Questions:*

- 14. Are all ophthalmic diagnostic devices networked?*
- 15. How are images from each device stored (locally per device or centrally in a database/ PACS solution)?*
- 16. What software/ PACS (picture archiving and communication storage) are you using?*
- 17. Who is the lead contact within procurement that manages ophthalmology equipment (diagnostic)?*

Trust response:  
Ophthalmology Laser Equipment:  
1, 2 & 4.

Site	(1) Make/Model	(2) Date New	(4) Contract Expiry
Maidstone	SYL9000 Premio YAG Laser	05/08/2004	01/02/2022
Maidstone	Litechnica Lighlas Laser	25/04/2007	
Maidstone	Topcon Pascal Synthesis Y4 577nm Laser	04/04/2018	29/03/2022
Maidstone	Optotek Optoyag/SLT YAG Laser	30/06/2020	Warranty
Maidstone	Dye Argon Laser	Unknown	
Maidstone	Activis 689nm Laser	20/06/2001	01/04/2022
Maidstone	Sigmacon Laser-Yagon Lasag Topaz Laser	03/03/1984	
Tunbridge Wells	Ellex Integre-P Ophthalmic Laser	21/12/2009	01/01/2021
Tunbridge Wells	Optotek OptiYag M Laser	10/11/2020	Warranty
Medway Maritime	Litechnica Q Yag Laser	21/03/2007	01/02/2021
Medway Maritime	Optotek OptiYag M Laser	16/12/2020	Warranty

3.

Count of DistrictNumber	contract_year		
	20182019	20192020	20202021
MWLAS Total	383	574	
MGH LASER Total		364	535
MED LASER Total		350	72
TWH LASER Total		148	120

5. Yes

6.

Count of DistrictNumber	contract_year	
	20192020	20202021
MGH LASER Total	192	440
TWH LASER Total	38	30

Ophthalmology Diagnostic Equipment:

7, 8, 9 & 12.

Site	(7) Make/Model	(8) Date New	(9) Renewal	(12) Contract Expiry
Maidstone	Zeiss IOL Master 700	01/06/2020	2027	01/03/2022
Maidstone	Zeiss IOL Master 500	06/01/2011	2018	01/03/2022
Maidstone	Canon R-50 Auto-Refractometer	31/05/2001	2009	
Maidstone	Topcon OCT-DR1 Triton Plus 3D Camera	02/10/2019	2026	01/04/2022
Maidstone	Topcon 3D OCT.2000 Tomography	19/03/2019	2026	01/04/2022
Maidstone	Optos California Panoramic Ophthalmoscope	01/05/2020	2027	01/05/2022
Maidstone	Haag Streit Octopus 900 Fields Analyser	04/03/2011	2018	01/03/2021
Maidstone	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	25/03/2019	2026	01/03/2024
Maidstone	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	25/03/2019	2016	01/03/2024
Maidstone	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	25/03/2019	2016	01/03/2024

Maidstone	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	24/02/2021	2028	01/03/2024
	Heidelberg HRT-3 Ophthalmic Scanning Laser	01/11/2006	2013	01/03/2022
Tunbridge Wells	Zeiss IOL Master 700	01/06/2020	2027	01/03/2022
Tunbridge Wells	Nidek US500A Echoscanner	12/01/2010	2017	
Tunbridge Wells	Zeiss IOL Master 500 Advance	08/06/2011	2018	01/03/2022
Tunbridge Wells	Topcon 3D OCT.2000 Tomography	02/07/2015	2022	01/04/2022
Tunbridge Wells	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	29/03/2019	2026	01/03/2024
Tunbridge Wells	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	29/03/2019	2026	01/03/2024
Medway Maritime	Topcon OCT-DR1 Triton Plus 3D Camera	17/10/2019	2026	01/04/2022
Medway Maritime	Topcon OCT-DR1 Triton Plus 3D Camera	25/01/2021	2028	01/04/2022
Medway Maritime	Optos California OCT Camera	19/02/2021	2028	Warranty
Medway Maritime	Righton Retinomax K+5 Refractometer	11/02/2021	2028	Warranty
Medway Maritime	Zeiss Humphrey Field Analyser 3	23/03/2019	2026	01/03/2024
Medway Maritime	Quantel ABSolu A/B Scanner	12/02/2021	2028	Warranty

10. There is a Trust capital budget. All Divisions bid for capital to replace equipment when needed and the bids are prioritised centrally.

11.

	contract_year				
Clinic	20162017	20172018	20182019	20192020	20202021
OPT M Total			2917	2949	1037
MWVF Total			695	784	318
TOPTIC Total			564	680	342
VIFNAMW Total	393	449	327	136	
VIFNP Total	245	261	203	256	
VIFNAF Total	186	177	194	69	
FLDS Total			141	37	5
OPHTH M Total - FFA Diagnostic			208	163	33
OPHTH M Total - OCT			125	60	8

Ophthalmic Ultrasound:

13. Retinal – yes, anterior -yes, A-Scan – yes

General Questions:

14. Not yet but they will be

15. Locally if the equipment is not networked but otherwise on a server

16. Topcon ImageNet6, Zeiss Forum

17. This role falls under the remit of the Chief Finance Officer. Maidstone & Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust receives a number of requests for details relating to the professional lives of our staff from private individuals and organisations, some of whom are involved in recruitment and marketing. We are aware that approaches from some of these organisations, as a result of any disclosure on our part, may lead to damage and distress to individuals whose roles and responsibilities would not normally be public facing or a level where the expectation would be that this information should be in the public domain. On

very rare occasions it might be considered in the public interest to disclose some information but in such cases the views of the individual staff concerned is always sought.

The Trust has therefore decided that in future all such requests will normally be refused using the limitations available under Section 10 and Section 11 of the Data Protection Act 1998.

The information you have requested is therefore exempt under Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The Trust follows guidance issued by the Information Commissioner's Office on the disclosure of personal data including direct contact details.

Information relating to staff that is not currently publically available on our website will not be released under Freedom of Information Act 2000 Section 40(2) (personal information) as it relates to the personal information of employees.

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