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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 Procurement.

You asked:

- 1. Procurement team Email*
- 2. Head of Procurement and contact details*

Trust response:

1. Under Section 21 of the Act we are not required to provide information in response to a request if the information is already reasonably accessible to you. The information you requested is available from the trust website on the contact page or using the following link/s: <https://www.mtw.nhs.uk/contact/>

2. 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 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 publicly 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. This role falls under the remit of the Chief Finance officer.

The Trust Executive structure chart is available on the Trust website www.mtw.nhs.uk. If you wish to contact members of the board, please contact the Executive secretarial team on telephone 01622 226412.