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Subject: Sanitary Waste

REQUEST

I would be most grateful if you would provide me, under the Freedom of Information Act, the following information regarding the arrangements for the management of sanitary waste from washroom facilities to the point of disposal.

1. Which organisation do you have a contractual agreement with to carry out this service?
2. What is the actual spend on this contract / framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date?
3. What are the start date and duration of the framework / contract?
4. Is there an extension clause in the framework / contract and, if so, the duration of the extension?
5. What is the final disposal method for the sanitary waste collected?
6. Who is the senior officer / representative (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as this request relates to contractual arrangements formed before the merger, the data we have provided relates to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

1. Which organisation do you have a contractual agreement with to carry out this service?

St Helens and Knowsley Sites

At St Helens and Whiston Hospital sites the Facilities Management Services are provided under the Trusts Private Finance Initiative (PFI) contract with NewHospitals which also provides the hospital buildings and infrastructure. All management of sanitary waste on these sites are part of the PFI agreements.

Southport and Ormskirk Sites

Southport and Ormskirk sites do not have a specific sanitary waste disposal contract, as we manage via SRCL Stericycle via clinical waste contract.

2. What is the actual spend on this contract / framework (and any sub lots), from the start of the contract to the current date?

St Helens and Knowsley Sites

At St Helens and Whiston Hospital sites all expenditure for these services is provided as part of the PFI agreement and as such are not discreetly identifiable.

Southport and Ormskirk Sites

All expenditure for these services is provided as part of Clinical waste contract.

3. What are the start date and duration of the framework / contract?

St Helens and Knowsley Sites

The Trusts PFI contract term is for a period of 35 years which runs until August 2047.

Southport and Ormskirk Sites

No specific sanitary waste contract managed via SRCL Stericycle Clinical waste contract.

4. Is there an extension clause in the framework / contract and, if so, the duration of the extension?

N/A

5. What is the final disposal method for the sanitary waste collected?

St Helens and Knowsley Sites

Sanitary waste is disposed of via the offensive waste stream.

Southport and Ormskirk Sites

As sanitary waste is disposed of as tiger waste, the disposal method for this waste is that it is processed into flock to be used in a waste to energy plant.

6. Who is the senior officer / representative (outside of procurement) responsible for this contract?

St Helens and Knowsley Sites

Lynne Shaw (Head of PFI, Estates and Facilities Performance)

Southport and Ormskirk Sites

Graham Turton (Sustainability Manager)