

## **Request under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for your request for information which we received on 12 September 2018.

I am pleased to confirm the following.

**How many “daily living aids” (eg walking sticks and crutches) were issued to patients by the hospital (A & E, Fracture clinic or similar department) in the last financial year.**

The Trust does not record this information.

**How many “daily living aids” (eg walking sticks, and crutches) were picked up or recycled by the hospital (or a company working for the hospital) in the last financial year.**

The Trust does not record this information.

**How much did the hospital spend on “daily living aids” (eg walking sticks, and crutches) in the last financial year.**

The Trust does not record its purchases under the generic title of “daily living aids”, we have searched by specific items and can confirm the following:-

Crutches	-	£22,728.57
Walking sticks	-	£1,889.69
Walking frames	-	£1,317.80

Between 01/04/2017 - 31/03/2018 an additional £3726.78 was spent on crutches and walking sticks by the Physiotherapy department. We are unable to split the cost as the Trust does not record this information.

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If you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us at the address above.

Yours sincerely,

Freedom Of Information Co-ordinator  
For and on behalf of Milton Keynes Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

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