

## **Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB\_57\_17**

### **You asked:**

- (1) The value of equipment and services provided by other EU countries (for example artificial knees) in each year of the last 3 financial years for which data is available?**

I can confirm that the Health Board does not centrally record this information; however, the vast majority of products and services are purchased from UK based companies and transacted in sterling.

The information you require, if held, would be recorded within an individual invoice. Therefore, to enable us to consider providing the information you have requested would require a manual trawl of all purchases over the last three years to establish where the products were originally made. As most invoices would not state this level of detail, this process would significantly exceed the 18 hours time and £450 cost limit set out within the Act, we therefore have applied Section 12 to this element of your request.

- (2) Any work that has been done to model the effects of leaving the EU on the operations of the health board?**

Work is currently being undertaken around the potential impact of Brexit, and within the Health Board we are working to the new guidance issued around the General Data Protection regulations (GDPR).

In terms of procurement, NHS Wales Shared Services have a group of staff working to inform strategy and practice, including the reworking of terms and conditions of contract. Further information in relation to this if required, should be directed to:

- <http://www.wales.nhs.uk/sitesplus/955/page/52729>