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Email:

Dear,

I am writing in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) reference FOI 220753.

You requested the following information, please also see our response below:

I would be most grateful if you could supply the following information under the Freedom of Information Act:

1. The number of additional new or second hand emergency ambulances purchased outright over the last three financial years.

SECAmb has not purchased any additional emergency ambulances in the last 3 years

2. The number of additional new or second hand emergency ambulances leased over the last three financial years.

SECAmb has leased 8 additional emergency ambulances in the last 3 years. : While we have taken delivery of other new leased vehicles during this period, these are part of our fleet replacement plan and therefore not additional vehicles.

3. How long is the average time an ambulance stays as part of the fleet before it has to be replaced?

SECAmb has a replacement plan to replace Mercedes Ambulances after 7 years and Fiat ambulances after 5 years

I hope you find this information of some assistance.

If for any reason you are dissatisfied with our response, kindly in the first instance contact Caroline Smart, Head of Information Governance via the following email address:

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Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Coordinator South East Coast Ambulance Service NHS Foundation Trust**