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Dear

The trust acknowledges receipt of your Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) request, referenced above. Please ensure you quote this number in any future correspondence.

FOI Request

You asked us:

We have an interest in better uniform recycling and would be interested to know: Last annual cost of uniform, individual cost for a new starter and if possible breakdown of each unit of uniform.

In addition, do we currently outsource our laundry i.e linen or is this in-house? And what are the costs associated with this please.

Formal Response

The Trust confirms it holds the information you have requested.

We have an interest in better uniform recycling and would be interested to know: Last annual cost of uniform, individual cost for a new starter and if possible breakdown of each unit of uniform.

3-1 jacket x1 =£36.98
Hi viz Tabard x1 £7.29
Hi Viz Trousers x1 £9.52
Op Trousers x3 £7.62
Op Shirt x5 £6.32 or Op Polo x5 £6.58 (mixed max x5 only)
White T/shirt x3 £2.83
Leather Belt x1 £8.43 or Canvas Belt x1 £2.68
Utility Belt x1 £17.76 +vat=£21.31
Safety Boots £44.91
Helmet x1 £136.00
Beanie x1 £3.10



Green Cap x1 £8.14+vat=£9.77
Green Holdall x1 £20.60+vat=£24.72
Radio Clip x1 £3.40 +vat=£4.08
Knee Pads x2 Pairs £3.20 each
Gloves x1 £15.00+vat=£18.00
Sandwich Bag x1 £8.90 +vat=£10.68
Epaulettes x4 sets £6.78 +vat=£8.14 each
Insert x1 £5.36 + vat= £6.43
CD holder x1 £5.86+ vat=£7.03*
CD Pouch x1 £6.35+vat=£7.62*

The annual cost of staff uniform for 2024/25 was £751,738.02.

**In addition, do we currently outsource our laundry i.e linen or is this in-house?
And what are the costs associated with this please.**

The Trust currently outsources its laundry.
The annual cost of laundry for 2024/25 was £443,072.02.

Next steps

We publish a variety of information which may assist future enquiries relating to our service on our website – www.secamb.nhs.uk.

Should you be dissatisfied with our response then in the first instance please contact Richard Banks, Head of Corporate Governance, via the following email address:
FOI@secamb.nhs.uk

You can ask us to review our original response. If you would like us to carry out an internal review, please let us know within 40 working days of you receiving our original response. This review will be conducted by an individual who was not directly involved in reviewing the original response, ordinarily, the Trust Data Protection Officer. We will endeavour to complete this request within 20 working days.

Should you remain dissatisfied then you can contact the [Information Commissioner's Office](https://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints) (ICO). Complaints to the ICO should be made within six weeks of receiving the outcome of an internal review. The easiest way to lodge a complaint is through their website: www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints.

Alternatively, the ICO's postal address is:
Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely,

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



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