Reference:	FOI.12202.23
Subject:	Single use drinking water bottles
Date of Request:	14 July 2023

Requested:

- 1. The quantity of single use drinking water bottles purchased by Hywel Dda University Health Board annually, for the past 5 years.
- 2. The cost of said purchase
- 3. Details of the supply and disposal chains.

Response:

1. & 2. The table below provides the number of single use drinking water bottles and the cost of these purchases for the last five (5) full financial years.

Financial years	Number of bottles	Value of purchases (£)
2018/19	316	1,151.86
2019/20	418	1,536.23
2020/21	443	1,651.93
2021/22	671	2,000.6
2022/23	2822	10,132.38

3. The UHB purchases its water bottles via approved sellers on the NHS Supply Chain. All plastic is recycled in a co-mingled recycling manner alongside paper, card, plastic and tins via the Biffa Waste contract procured under the Eastern Shires Purchasing Organisation (ESPO) Framework