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Sent via email to: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I write further to your request for information which was received on 10 August 2023, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does hold the information that you require.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and our response follows:

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information:

1. Whether the board has weight management service contracts with Slimming World/Miles Bramwell or WW/Weight Watchers, either directly or through a third-party organisation?
2. Which other weight management services does the board have contracts with?
3. The total amount paid over the course of any current contracts with Slimming World – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available.
4. The total amount paid over the course of contracts with Slimming World -or estimated budget, where amount paid not available – for the following financial years: 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022; 2022-2023; 2023-present.
5. The total amount paid over the course of any current contracts with Weight Watchers/WW – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available.
6. The total amount paid over the course of contracts with Weight Watchers/WW – or estimated budget, where amount paid not available – for the following financial years: 2018-2019; 2019-2020; 2020-2021; 2021-2022; 2022-2023; 2023-present.
7. The start and end dates of active contracts with Slimming World.

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8. The start and end dates of active contracts with Weight Watchers.
9. How many patients have accessed Slimming World through the board's partnership over the last five years, broken down by year?
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Powys Response:

As the health board is not a direct provider of Level 4 Weight Management Services we have contracts with health boards and NHS Trusts for the provision of Level 4 Weight Management Services for our residents. These form part of our normal commissioning arrangements

Q1 Powys Teaching Health Board does not have any ongoing contracts with commercial weight management services. However, has purchased vouchers from Slimming World which are currently being distributed.

Q2 PTHB does not have any other weight management contracts outside of commissioning Level 4 bariatric services.

Q3 & Q4 Please see below for the total amount paid to Slimming World-

2018 – 2019	£0
2019 – 2020	£0
2020-2021	£22.6k
2022 – 2023	£80k
2023 – present	£0

Q5 & Q6 PTHB can confirm no payments have been made to Weight Watchers for the time period requested.

Q7 The purchase of vouchers was agreed in April 2020 but due to COVID-19 and the inability to deliver groups face to face, as well as the need to develop and launch a robust Level 2 service where commercial weight management formed part of a multi-component offering (as per Welsh Government guidelines) the start date for using the vouchers was postponed with agreement from Slimming World. Vouchers have no expiry date.

Q8 Not applicable.

Q9 Please see table below for number of patients who have accessed Slimming World:

	Referred	Accessed
2022	38	42
2023	42 (as of 15.08.2023)	TBC

Q10 Not applicable.

Should you need any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

If you are dissatisfied, with the way your request has been dealt with by PTHB, you have the right to request a review in which case you should write to:

Chief Executive
Powys Teaching Health Board Headquarters
Glasbury House
Bronllys Hospital
Bronllys
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If you are still dissatisfied at the end of the review, you may complain to the Information Commissioner, who can be contacted at the following address:

Information Commissioner's Office - Wales
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Yours sincerely



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