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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 12 December 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:

Please can you provide total numbers recorded within your hospital maternity units during the past five years in the following categories: -

1. Number of intrauterine foetal deaths.
2. Number of premature deaths before 37 weeks' gestation.
3. Number of neonatal deaths.
4. Number of PPROMS (premature prolonged rupture of membranes) babies.
5. Number of babies admitted into SCBU.

### Powys Response:

Due to the sparsely populated nature of Powys, we do not provide district general hospital services within the health board area. Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) provides a midwife-led maternity service offering home births and births in a midwife-led maternity unit. Consultant-led maternity and neonatal services are provided to Powys families in district general hospitals and specialist hospitals in neighbouring health boards in Wales and neighbouring NHS Trusts in England.

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Tŷ Glasbury, Ysbyty Bronllys,  
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Powys Teaching Local Health Board

Q1 - 4 PTHB is unable to provide these exact numbers due to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less). PTHB believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified, when considered with other information already available within the public domain, if this was disclosed. Therefore, the data is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing regarding Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

Q5 PTHB does not have Special Care Baby Units (SCBU); these are provided in neighbouring district general hospitals.

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  
Brecon  
Powys LD3 0LY

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  
2<sup>nd</sup> Floor,  
Churchill House,  
Churchill Way,  
Cardiff, CF10 2HH  
Tel: 029 2067 8400 Fax 029 2067 8399  
[www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk) [twitter.com/iconews](https://twitter.com/iconews)

Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb y fath ohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi. We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.

Yours sincerely



**Louise Turner**  
**Assistant Director of Women & Children's**

**On behalf of**

**Joy Garfitt**  
**Director of Operations/ Director of Community & Mental Health**