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9 February 2023

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 11 January 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:

Per the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I kindly request the following information from the Powys Teaching Health Board 'the health board':

1. The number of residents who have been on the waiting list for an NHS dentist in the Powys Teaching Health Board area for over 3 years.
2. The number of residents who have been on the waiting list for an NHS dentist in the Powys Teaching Health Board area for over 5 years.
3. The number of residents off the Powys Teaching Health Board NHS dentist list that were given an NHS dentist in 2022 (1 January – 31 December 2022).
4. The estimated waiting time for a resident to receive an NHS dentist in the Powys Teaching Health Board area should they join the waiting list today.
5. If the data is held, the number of children currently on the Powys Teaching Health Board waiting list for an NHS dentist.

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Addysgu Powys



We welcome correspondence in Welsh  
Powys Teaching Health Board is the operational name of  
Powys Teaching Local Health Board

Powys Response:

1. PTHB, does not have three years worth of data available as the waiting list started on the 3 September 2021. I can, therefore confirm that currently there are 4,599 patients on the waiting list that is held by the Health Board.
2. Please see our response to Q1 above.
3. The Health Board secured NHS dental access for 540 patients between the 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022.
4. It is difficult to put an estimated waiting time to the waiting list as we don't know when practices will be able to take on more patients, and as the waiting list was only started in September 2021, we don't have any historic data to look back on.

The General Dental Service reform program which restarted in April 2022 enhances dental preventative measures whilst maintaining access for historical patients and creating additional access for patients who are currently on waiting lists, new patient access per week for 2022/23 is 136 per week.

5. There are currently 568 children on the Powys Teaching Health Board waiting list.

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:

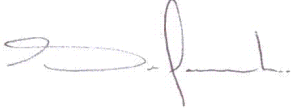
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Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D. Farnsworth', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**David Farnsworth**  
**Assistant Director: Community Services Group**