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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 27 March 2024, 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 my response follows:

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

1. Total Radiology scans (X-ray, CT, MRI etc.) conducted by the Trust during 2022 and 2023,
 - a. Total during 2022.
 - b. Total during 2023
2. Total Radiology scans conducted by the Trust during 2022 and 2023, broken down by body part (Breast, Chest, MSK etc),
 - a. Breakdown for 2022
 - b. Breakdown for 2023
3. Total Radiology scans conducted by the Trust during 2022 and 2023, broken down by body part (Breast, Chest, MSK etc), further broken down by type (CT, MRI etc.). i.e. Breast CT, Chest MRI etc.
 - a. Breakdown for 2022
 - b. Breakdown for 2023
4. Total number of Radiology work outsourced to Private Radiology Companies during 2022 and 2023,
 - a. Total during 2022
 - b. Total during 2023

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5. Total number of Radiology work outsourced to Private Radiology Companies during 2022 and 2023 by body part (Breast, Chest, MSK etc.),
 - a. Total during 2022
 - b. Total during 2023

6. Total number of Radiology work outsourced to Private Radiology Companies during 2022 and 2023 by their classification (routine, emergency, complex etc.)
 - a. Total during 2022
 - b. Total during 2023

7. Total spend in £ for outsourced Radiology work to Private Radiology Companies during 2022 and 2023,
 - a. Total during 2022
 - b. Total during 2023

8. List the Private Radiology Companies worked with during 2022 and 2023 and their individual spend,
 - a. Total during 2022 by Company
 - b. Total during 2023 by Company

9. Who is the person responsible for authorising the outsourcing of tele radiology within the Trust and what is their job title?

10. Does the Radiology within the Trust belong to part of a Radiology network in the region, and what is the name of that network?

11. Does the Trust share its Radiology services with any other Trusts?

12. Does your Trust adhere to a Framework for outsourced Tele-Radiology? If so, which ones?

The purpose of this request is to understand the volume of scans conducted by the trust, the extent of outsourcing to private companies, and the specific types of scans being outsourced.

Powys Response:

I can confirm the information provided is for Plain film and Ultrasound scans; these are the two modalities performed by Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB). PTHB also commissions services from neighbouring District Hospitals via a service level agreement (SLA).

Q1– Q3. Please see FOI 24.R.130 Attachment 1 for the number of Radiology scans for the years requested within PTHB.

Q4- Q6. I can confirm that PTHB has not outsourced Radiology work to private Radiology companies.

Q7 & Q8. Not Applicable.

Q9. The individual responsible for authorising the outsourcing of tele radiology is our Professional Head of Radiography.

Q10. PTHB Radiology forms part of the All-Wales group and attends group forums such as:

- National Imaging Equipment Programme Board.
- The All-Wales Quality forum.
- Radiography Professional Heads group
- National Imaging programme strategy group meeting.
- Radiology Informatics System Procurement (RISP).

Q11. PTHB does not share services with another Health Board. However, PTHB does have SLA's where we share imaging service provision, and all sites include Picture Archive Communication System (PACS) support. PTHB commission these services at the following hospital sites:

PTHB Hospital	SLA Agreement	District General Hospital
Victoria Memorial Hospital	Plain film reporting	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Montgomery County Infirmary	Plain film reporting	Betsi Cadwaladr University Health Board
Bro Ddyfi Community Hospital, Machynlleth	Plain film reporting	Hywel Dda University Health Board
Llandrindod Wells Community	Plain film reporting	Wye Valley NHS Trust
Brecon War Memorial	Plain film reporting	Aneurin Bevan University Health Board for plain film reporting
Ystradgynlais Community Hospital	Plain film reporting & Ultrasound	Swansea Bay University Health Board

Q12. PTHB is included in the All-Wales contract for Teleradiology with Everlite.

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If after Internal Review you remain dissatisfied you are also entitled to refer the matter to the information commissioner at the Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH. Telephone Number: 0330 414 6421.

Yours sincerely



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