

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.623.25

13 January 2026

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 2025, 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, but have applied an exemption to elements of this request.

For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's response follows each question individually.

### Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request and Powys Response (Bold):

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information:

1. How many sexual safety incidents took place in trust premises since 1 Jan 2020 to date?

Total
<b>5</b>

2. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by calendar year \*

a) 2020	b) 2021	c) 2022	d) 2023	e) 2024	f) 2025 to date

**Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) is unable to provide the breakdown of incidents as requested 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 UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of UK 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.**

**To comply with our obligation under Section 16 of the Act, the duty to provide help and assistance. PTHB has provided the total number of sexual safety incidents within question 1 above for the period covering the period 2020 to 2025.**

3. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by type of sexual safety incident - e.g. a) rape, b) sexual assault etc

a) Rape	b) Sexual assault	c) Sexual harassment	d) Stalking	e) Abusive sexual remarks	f) Other
0	*	*	*	*	*

**\*Exemption Section 40(2) has been applied for reasons provided in Q2 above.**

4. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by age of victim in the following categories: a) under 18, b) 18-64 and c) 65 and over\*\*

a) Under 18	b) 18-64	c) 65+
0	<b>I can confirm that all victims are above the age of 18.</b>	

5. Please provide a breakdown of the total provided in question 1 by status of the victim and perpetrator in the following categories:

- Perpetrator was a staff member, and victim was staff member
- Perpetrator was a member of the public (or patient) and victim was a member of the public (or patient)
- Perpetrator was a member of the public (or patient) and victim was a staff member
- Perpetrator was a staff member, and victim was a member of the public (or patient)

a) Staff against staff	b) Public/ patient against public/ patient	c) Public/ patient against staff	d) Staff against public/ patient

**Exemption Section 40(2) has been applied for reasons provided in Q2 above.**

6. Please provide a breakdown of the total number of rapes since 1 Jan 2020 (i.e. the answer to 3.a) by the age of the rape victim in the following categories: a) under 18, b) 18-64 and c) 65 plus\*\*

a) Under 18	b) 18-64	c) 65+
0	0	0

7. Does your trust have a dedicated policy to deal with sexual assault and harassment? If so please provide a copy of your trust's written policy and if possible provide a date that the current policy was put in place. **Please find enclosed FOI.623.25 Attachment 1: All-Wales Sexual Harassment Policy which PTHB adopted in October 2025.**

\*If your trust records this information in tax year, please provide the following yearly totals instead: 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23, 2023/24, 2024/25, 2025/26 to date.

\*\*If your trust records this information in different age categories, please provide any information on age of victim available.

If you have queries or any concerns, contact details are given at the top of the letter. Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications. If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request and wish to ask for a review of this, please contact us and we will arrange for this to be done.

Further information is available from the Information Commissioner's Office who can be contacted at:

Address: Information Commissioner's Office (Wales), 2nd Floor, Churchill House, Churchill Way, Cardiff, CF10 2HH.

Telephone: 0330 414 6421

Complaints Portal: [www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints](http://www.ico.org.uk/foicomplaints)

Web site: <https://ico.org.uk/>

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Further information including a sample license terms and fees can be found at Open Government Licence.

Yours sincerely



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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. We will reply to such correspondence in Welsh and this will not lead to a delay.