

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.173.26

12 May 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 21 April 2026, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not hold the information that you require. For ease of reference your request is set out below and the Health Board's response follows.

### Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

I am submitting this request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am seeking data specifically regarding cancer within the NHS Wales healthcare system for the reporting year of 2024 - 2026. Specifically, I am looking for the following information:

Q1. Diagnosis: The total number of patients in Wales who received a primary diagnosis of cancer between 2024 and 2026.

Q2. Mortality: The total number of recorded deaths in Wales where cancer was listed as the primary cause of death between 2024 and 2026.

Q3. Cross-Border Referrals: The total number of patients residing in Wales who were referred to NHS England trusts for specialist treatment or surgery specifically related to cancer during this period.

If data for the full 2024 - 2026 period is not yet fully validated or available, please provide the most recent available figures or a "year-to-date" extract.

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I look forward to receiving a response within 20 working days. Please acknowledge receipt of this email.

If any part of this request requires further clarification, or if you believe this request would exceed the cost limit, please contact me so I can refine the scope to ensure I receive the most relevant data.

### Powys Response:

I can confirm that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not hold any information that falls within the scope of this request. The Welsh Cancer Intelligence & Surveillance Unit (WCISU) of Public Health Wales is the National Cancer Registry for Wales and its primary role is to record, store and report on all incidence of cancer for the resident population of Wales wherever they are treated. You may wish to contact WCISU via: [phw.foi@wales.nhs.uk](mailto:phw.foi@wales.nhs.uk)

Further information on WCISU can be found via:

[Welsh Cancer Intelligence and Surveillance Unit \(WCISU\) - Public Health Wales](#)

If you are dissatisfied with the handling or response to your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Should you wish an internal review, please quote the reference number and send your correspondence to the above address.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner 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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All information supplied by the Health Board in answering a request for information (RFI) under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 will be subject to the terms of the Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2015.

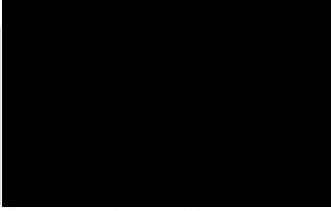
Under the terms of the Regulations, the Health Board will licence the re-use of any or all information supplied if being used in a form and for the purpose other than which it was originally supplied. This license for re-use will be in line with the requirements of the Regulations and the licensing terms and fees as laid down by the Office of Public Sector Information (OPSI). Most licenses will be free; however, the Health Board reserves the right, in certain circumstances to charge a fee for the re-use of some information which it deems to be of commercial value.

Further information including a sample license terms and fees can be found at [Open Government Licence](#).

Yours sincerely

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**Mererid Bowley**  
**Executive Director of Public Health**



**Chris Moss**  
**Assistant Director of Performance and Commissioning**

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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.