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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 10 August 2026, 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 the Health Board's response follows each question individually.

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

Request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. Please provide the following recorded information for each community hospital inpatient ward in Powys, for each month from 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2026:

For the avoidance of doubt, this request covers Maldwyn Ward, Brynheulog Ward, Twymyn Ward, Claerwen Ward, Y Bannau Ward, Epynt Ward, Adelina Patti Ward, Graham Davies Ready to Go Home Unit, Llewellyn Ready to Go Home Unit, and any inpatient ward closed or suspended during the period, including Panpwnton Ward at Knighton Hospital and Crug Ward at Breconshire War Memorial Hospital. Where a ward was closed for all or part of the period, please indicate this rather than omitting the ward.

Please note that Panpwnton Ward and Crug Ward were closed during the requested period.

Q1. The number of funded inpatient beds. **-PTHB currently has 146 funded in-patients beds, broken down as follows:**

Ward	Beds
Epynt Ward	15
Y Bannau Ward	14
Llewellyn Ward	18
Claerwen Ward	15

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Graham Davies Ward	14
Twymyn Ward	14
Bryn Heulog Ward	15
Maldwyn Ward	21
Adelina Patti Ward	20

Q2. The number of staffed beds actually available for admission. - **PTHB currently has 146 staffed beds available for admission, as set out in the table above.**

Q3. Bed occupancy. I appreciate occupancy fluctuates daily, so I am content to receive whichever of the following the Health Board holds: average monthly occupancy as a percentage; total occupied bed days per month; or the number of occupied beds recorded at midnight on the last day of each month. - **Please see FOI.326.26 Attachment 1, which provides the information held by PTHB. This sets out the average number of occupied beds per month.**

Q4. The number of beds unavailable due to staffing shortages, together with the dates and duration of any full or partial ward closures attributable to staffing. – **Panpwnton Ward at Knighton Hospital, which had 10 beds, closed in 2020 due to staffing limitations. PTHB does not hold records of any other full or partial ward closures during the requested period that were attributable to staffing shortages.**

Q5. Registered nurse vacancies by ward, expressed in whole time equivalents. **Please see FOI.326.26 Attachment 2. Aside from Registered Nurses, there are many professions that make-up the clinical team who support patients on our wards. These include, but are not limited to, Health Care Support Workers, Therapists and Doctors, where we experience workforce shortages and longstanding vacancies.**

Q6. I note that your response to FOI 23.R.299 recorded 156 inpatient beds in September 2023, and your response to FOI 122.26 recorded 146 in April 2026. If any part of that reduction was recorded as a formal decision, please indicate where that is documented. - **Please see below table setting out the recorded rationale for each reduction:**

Beds reduced	Numbers of reductions	Date	Rationale
Claerwen ward	21 reduced to 15	2023	Removal of locum medical cover
Llanidloes	18 reduced to 14	2025	Removal of Covid surge capacity

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

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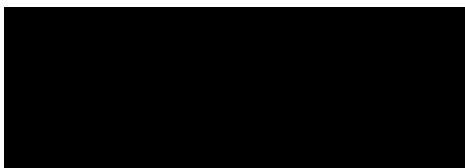
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Yours sincerely



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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.