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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 13 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):
I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information:

Q1. Could you inform me when the Llanfyllin group practice became an independent GP practice please.
Llanfyllin Group Practice operates as an independent contractor providing General Medical Services under contract with Powys Teaching Health Board. The practice already held independent contractor status before the introduction of the revised General Medical Services contractual framework in 2004. PTHB does not hold information identifying a specific date on which the practice first became an independent contractor.

Q2. If pthb does not hold the financial arrangements or have any idea of how monies are spent and on what at the practice, who funds the gp practice and is accountable for ensuring the tax payers are getting value for them money and a service they should be provided with?
There is a nationally negotiated system in order to fund GMS contracts. The largest proportion of GMS funding is called the Global Sum. Further reading around this process can be found at the BMA website Welsh Unified GMS contract 2023/24. All practices are expected to provide Unified Services under the 2023 General Medical Services Regulations, and there is a Unified Contract Assurance Framework in place nationally and delivered locally by Health Boards to provide the assurance on the

delivery of these services. PTHB are not the data controllers for Llanfyllin Group Practice, therefore any questions in relation to how the practice spends their money would need to be directed to the practice.

Q3. Is the group practice an independent and privatised body that PTHB seems to suggest – **Please see the response to Q1.**

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

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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.