

Our ref: IG/FOI/FOI.054.26

18 March 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 05 February 2026, to confirm, in accordance with S.1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, that Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) partly holds 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.

Your Freedom of Information (FOI) Request:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I would like to request the following information regarding placements and spending for older person's care home services. Please provide answers on the attached accompanying Excel spreadsheet.

Q1. Who within the Health Board, has the commissioning responsibility for care home placements for older people (aged 65+)? Please provide their:

- a. Name
- b. Job title
- c. Telephone number
- d. Email address

Q2. Please provide the gross total expenditure on older person's (age 65+) services for financial year 2023/24, 2024/25 (actual) and financial year 2025/26 (projected):

For question 2a, please provide total spend on personal social services for people aged 65+. This will include spend on residential, nursing, and domiciliary care (2b, 2c, and 2d) as well as other social care for older people such as day services, etc

- a. Gross total expenditure on older person's (65+) services.
- b. Gross total expenditure on residential home placements (65+)
- c. Gross total expenditure on nursing home placements (65+)
- d. Gross total expenditure on domiciliary care/home care (65+)

Q3. Please provide figures for the total number of older people (aged 65 and over) that the health board has funded during the financial years 2023/24, 2024/25, and 2025/26 (projected). This should include both new placements made during each year and ongoing placements funded by the health board:

- a. Residential care
- b. Residential dementia care
- c. Nursing care
- d. Nursing dementia care
- e. Domiciliary care/home care

Q4. Please provide the total number of adults (aged 18-64) with a primary need of dementia (including early-onset dementia), funded by the Health Board, receiving long-term nursing care in a care home, for the financial year 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26 (projected), broken down by the following weekly fee bands:

- a. Under £2,000 per week
- b. Over £2,000 per week

Q5. Please provide a list of all providers with which the Health Board is funding older people (aged 65+) with dementia receiving nursing care in care homes, where the cost of care exceeds £2,000 per week.

Q6. Please provide the average (mean) weekly fees paid for care home placements for older people (aged 65+) in financial year 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26:

- a. Older person's residential
- b. Older person's residential dementia
- c. Older person's nursing
- d. Older person's nursing dementia

Q7. Please provide the set or banded weekly fees paid for care home placements for older people (aged 65+) in financial year 2023/24, 2024/25 and 2025/26:

- a. Older person's residential
- b. Older person's residential dementia
- c. Older person's nursing
- d. Older person's nursing dementia

Q8. Please provide the proposed average percentage uplift to the weekly rate paid by the health board between 2024/25 and 2025/26:

- a. Older person's residential
- b. Older person's residential dementia
- c. Older person's nursing
- d. Older person's nursing dementia

Powys Response:

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Q2 - Q8. Powys Teaching Health Board (PTHB) does not centrally record all of the information requested in the specific format outlined. While a patient's date of birth can be obtained, the Continuing Health Care (CHC) reporting system does not routinely capture certain clinical detail such as diagnostic information including dementia in a centralised format. As a result, we are unable to isolate data for individuals aged 65 and over or those with a dementia diagnosis.

To provide the information requested, the Health Board would be required to undertake a manual review of all relevant patient records. This would involve reviewing approximately 380–480 records per year, with each record taking an estimated 5–10 minutes to examine. This equates to between 31.7 and 80 hours of staff time.

We therefore estimate that the cost of determining whether the Health Board holds the information, and of locating, retrieving, and extracting it, would exceed the £450 cost limit set out in Section 12 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. For this reason, the Health Board is not obliged to comply with these elements of your request.

Please also note that PTHB does not fund residential placements and does not hold information relating to Local Authority fee uplifts.

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

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.