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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 4 June 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 2000 to request the following information from Powys Teaching Health Board. I am requesting this information as it is not routinely published in your health board papers. Please could you provide me with:

Q1. The most recent number of unfilled registered nurse posts in Powys Teaching Health Board by Agenda for Change band, expressed as Full Time Equivalent **- 91.83 Whole Time Equivalent (WTE)**

Q2. The total cost (£) of the agency nursing spend in Powys Teaching Health Board, both on and off-contract, for the financial year 2025/26, and this total cost broken down by:
(i) agency nursing spend on registered nurses;
(ii) agency nursing spend on nursing staff.

Please see the table below:

Financial Year 2025–26	On Contract £	Off Contract £
(i) Agency nursing spend on registered nurses	**3,124,424**	**731,473**
(ii) Agency nursing spend on nursing staff (Health Care Support Workers)	**711,843**	**89,894**

Q3. The total number, across Powys Teaching Health Board of:
(i) planned registered nursing establishments in December 2025, December 2024 and December 2023;
(ii) planned healthcare support worker establishments in December 2025, December 2024 and December 2023.

Please see the table below:

Year	Registered Nursing	Healthcare Support Worker's
December 2023	**295.15**	**675.08**
December 2024	**318.30**	**678.37**
December 2025	**338.66**	**693.05**

Q4. The total number of additional hours worked by registered nurses over contracted hours during the financial year 2025/26 across Powys Teaching Health Board and this total number of additional hours categorised by the total number of hours paid:
(i)as overtime as per Agenda for Change contract;

Please see the table below:

Additional Hours	Overtime
6693.8	**8503.1**

(ii) as per bank rates. **- 20278.23 hours**

Q5. The total number of continuing healthcare (CHC) nursing posts funded by Powys Teaching Health Board during the financial year 2025/26, and this number broken down by:
(i) registered nursing posts - **1**
(ii) healthcare support worker posts -**5**

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

Yours sincerely

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Deputy Director of Finance

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Rydym yn croesawu derbyn gohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg. Byddwn yn ateb y fath ohebiaeth yng Nghymraeg ac ni fydd hyn yn arwain at oedi.

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