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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 28 May 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.

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 request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding the provision of autism diagnostic assessments through the medium of Welsh within your Health Board, Powys Teaching HB .

Please could you provide the following information:

Q1. Does your Health Board currently offer autism diagnostic assessments through the medium of Welsh?

Adults: Powys Teaching Health Board does not currently provide adult autism diagnostic assessments directly through the medium of Welsh. However, there is a national agreement between Integrated Autism Services (IAS) across Wales that, where a Welsh-medium assessment is requested, arrangements can be made with another IAS that has a Welsh-speaking assessor. In such cases, Powys IAS would support reciprocal arrangements by assessing an individual from that service's waiting list.

Children's: Powys Teaching Health Board does not currently provide children's autism diagnostic assessments directly through the medium of Welsh. However, where this is requested, translation or interpretation support can be accessed to support the assessment process.

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Q2. If Welsh-medium assessments are available:

- How many Welsh-speaking clinicians are currently involved in delivering these assessments?

Not applicable, as autism diagnostic assessments are not currently delivered directly through the medium of Welsh by Powys Teaching Health Board.

- Are assessments conducted directly in Welsh or through the use of interpreters/translation services?

Not applicable, as autism diagnostic assessments are not currently delivered directly through the medium of Welsh by Powys Teaching Health Board.

Q3. Please provide the current average waiting time for:

- English-medium autism diagnostic assessments

Adults: Powys Teaching Health Board is unable to provide an average waiting time for adult autism diagnostic assessments, as this information is not currently available in that format. The longest current waiting time is 3 years and 6 months.

Children's: The current waiting time for children's autism diagnostic assessments is approximately 104 weeks.

- Welsh-medium autism diagnostic assessments

Adults: Powys Teaching Health Board does not currently hold an average waiting time for Welsh-medium adult autism diagnostic assessments. Where a Welsh-medium assessment is requested at the point of booking, arrangements would be made with another Integrated Autism Service in Wales under the national agreement described above.

Children's: Not applicable as Welsh-medium children's autism diagnostic assessments are not currently delivered directly by Powys Teaching Health Board.

Q4. During the last three financial years, how many patients have requested autism diagnostic assessments through the medium of Welsh?

Adults: Powys Teaching Health Board has not received any requests for adult autism diagnostic assessments through the medium of Welsh during the last three financial years

Children's: I can confirm this information is not centrally recorded.

Q5. During the last three financial years, how many Welsh-medium autism diagnostic assessments have been completed?

Adults: No adult autism diagnostic assessments have been completed through the medium of Welsh during the last three financial years.

Children's: I can confirm this information is not centrally recorded.

Q6. Does the Health Board have any current policy, strategy, action plan, or targets relating to increasing the availability of Welsh-medium neurodevelopmental or autism assessment services?

Adults and Children's: Powys Teaching Health Board does not currently have a specific policy, strategy, action plan or target relating to increasing the availability of Welsh-medium neurodevelopmental or autism assessment services. Staff are able to access Welsh language translation or interpretation support where individuals or families wish to communicate through the medium of Welsh.

Q7. Please provide copies of any relevant policies, internal guidance documents, equality impact assessments, Welsh language compliance reports, or strategic plans relating to Welsh-medium autism or neurodevelopmental services. **Adults and Children's: Not applicable. Powys Teaching Health Board does not hold specific policies, internal guidance documents, equality impact assessments, Welsh language compliance reports or strategic plans relating specifically to Welsh-medium autism or neurodevelopmental services.**

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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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.