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Address / Email:

Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

(a) how many times and (b) for how many days in a year, have each of your maternity wards been closed to new admissions as a result of staffing or any other challenges, in each of the past 5 years.

Response

Year	No. of times unit closed
2019	<5
2020	15
2021	20
2022	45
2023	5
2024	0 (to date)

We are unable to determine the number of days, however unit closures are typically less than 24 hours.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

Information Commissioners Office

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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