



Ref: FOIA Reference 2024/25-720

Date: 30<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear Sir/Madam

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20th January 2025 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding cancelled operations

**Q1 My name is [REDACTED] and I am writing from [REDACTED] I hope you're well.**

**I am writing with a request under the Freedom of Information Act. Specifically, I am hoping to ask the following:**

**In the financial years 22/23, 23/24 and 24/25, how many surgeries and operations were cancelled in your Trust? Please provide a breakdown by financial year**

A1 I can confirm that the Trust holds information regarding this request, but feel this information is exempt under section 21: *information reasonably accessible by other means*. This is because the information is available via the Trust's public website at the following link:

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**Q2 In the financial years 22/23, 23/24 and 24/25, how many of these cancellations were owing to problems relating to faults in equipment and infrastructure? Specifically, we are looking at the following reasons for cancellation: Equipment being unavailable due to damage, the operating room was deemed unsuitable (due to factors such as temperature, mould or concerns about its structural integrity e.g. RAAC). Please provide a breakdown by year and by reason for cancellation (Equipment, Infrastructure concerns and other).**

A2 The Trust has checked the Estates Record Information Collection (ERIC) system. The Safety Domain requires the Trust to assess incidents and any reports to the NRLS (National Reporting and Learning System) for incidents concerning disruption of patient services, around services and structure. The following information can be provided

2022/23	0 reported
2023/24	0 reported



2024/25 – current date	0 reported
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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries relating to the response please contact my office

Should you have a complaint about the response or the handling of your request, please also contact my office to request a review of this. If having exhausted the Trust's FOIA complaints process you are still not satisfied, you are entitled to approach the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) and request an assessment of the manner in which the Trust has managed your request.

The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF or via [www.ico.org.uk](http://www.ico.org.uk).

Yours,

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