Our Ref: 368/2023 AUGUST 2023



Re: Your request made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

I'm writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information. Please may you provide me with:

1. The number of FTE funded midwife posts there are for each maternity service at your trust?

189.45 WTE Band 2-7 with agreement to fund post up to the BR+ Assessment in 2022

2. The number of FTE funded midwife posts for each maternity service at your trust which were vacant as of the start of August 2023 (excluding those on maternity or long term sick leave where sick leave has lasted for one month or longer)?

24.75 WTE vacancy

3. The number of FTE funded midwife posts for each maternity service at your trust which were vacant as of 1st May 2023 (excluding those on maternity or long term sick leave where sick leave has lasted for one month or longer)?

22.05 WTE vacancy

4. The date of the most recent Birthrate Plus study of midwifery staffing for each service within your trust?

August 2022

5. The number of FTE funded midwife posts that Birthrate Plus recommended your trust employ for each maternity service at your trust?

243.18WTE without a skill mix applied

6. For each of the last five years, how many red flag events have been recorded for each of the trust's maternity services?

Data for 2021 113 2022 257

Our Ref: 368/2023 AUGUST 2023



2023 168 (to Aug)

If it is not possible to provide the information requested due to the information exceeding the cost of compliance limits identified in section 12, please could you provide me with advice and assistance, under the Section 16 obligations of the Act, as to how I can refine my request?