

## Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-443

24 June 2024

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

• We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

I write under the Freedom of Information Act to request the following information: a) How many elective operations were cancelled for a non-clinical reason at the Trust in 2022/23, broken down by reason for cancellation? In case helpful, I have provided a table for ease of response:

Reason for cancellation	2022/23
Lack of beds	183
Operating theatre capacity / list over-ran	307
Staffing issues	574
Equipment failures	56
Emergency case took priority	265
Adverse weather	0
Booking / admin error	54
Case note unavailable	0
Other reasons	453
Total	1892

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust Trust Headquarters Marlborough Street Bristol BS1 3NU

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

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: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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