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Subject: Maternity staffing

REQUEST

Thank you for your reply to my FOI request. I am submitting a refined version of my FOI request for maternity midwifery staffing information. To ensure this remains within the FOIA cost/time limits, I am requesting a narrower and less granular range of data.

If any part of this request would still exceed the cost limit, please advise which element so I can refine further.

1. Planned vs Actual Midwifery Staffing

For the **most recent 12-month period** for which data is readily available, please provide the Trust's **monthly** planned vs actual midwifery staffing for maternity services.

Please provide:

- The staffing dataset (in the format of planned vs actual staffing)
- Relevant maternity and obstetric unit/ward names
- Any written description or definition the Trust uses for:
- "Planned staffing"
- "Actual staffing"

I have attached an example of a staffing spreadsheet that's published online by another NHS Trust, to give an idea of the kind of format I would ideally like.

3. RAG Ratings and targets

For the same time period, please provide **any** available RAG ("red amber green") ratings or equivalent ratings for maternity services, in whatever format or frequency is most readily available. Please also provide definitions for each RAG level.

Please also provide data on **any** internal targets relating to maternity staffing, and **any** data on whether these targets were met in the time period specified above. This includes definitions of the targets.

3. Published Data

If any of the above is already publicly available, please provide the relevant URLs.

Format

Please supply the dataset in spreadsheet form if possible.

RESPONSE

Please see link below.

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