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Dear

Request for Information: Freedom of Information Act

Thank you for your email of 24 November, making a request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. You requested the following information and the Trust is able to provide the information below in response:

Request:

1. As of 1 September 2017, how many 'mothballed' wards existed across your hospital site? Please state the duration that each ward was 'mothballed'.
 - a. How many beds were there across your 'mothballed' ward/s?
 - b. What is the longest duration that any single bed was in a 'mothballed' ward?
2. As of 1 September 2016, how many 'mothballed' wards existed across your hospital site? Please state the duration that each ward was 'mothballed'.
 - a. How many beds were there across your 'mothballed' ward/s?
 - b. What is the longest duration that any single bed was in a 'mothballed' ward?
3. As of 1 September 2015, how many 'mothballed' wards existed across your hospital site? Please state the duration that each ward was 'mothballed'.
 - a. How many beds were there across your 'mothballed' ward/s?
 - b. What is the longest duration that any single bed was in a 'mothballed' ward?
4. As of 1 September 2014, how many 'mothballed' wards existed across your hospital site? Please state the duration that each ward was 'mothballed'.
 - a. How many beds were there across your 'mothballed' ward/s?
 - b. What is the longest duration that any single bed was in a 'mothballed' ward?
5. As of 1 September 2013, how many 'mothballed' wards existed across your hospital site? Please state the duration that each ward was 'mothballed'.
 - a. How many beds were there across your 'mothballed' ward/s?
 - b. What is the longest duration that any single bed was in a 'mothballed' ward?

Response:

The Trust have no 'mothballed' wards. The only ward the Trust have closed is Wantage Community Hospital, which is closed for safety reasons due to the detection of legionella on the site. The trust have published information on this closure, which can be accessed via the following URL:

<https://www.oxfordhealth.nhs.uk/news/wantage-community-hospital-cease-inpatients-admissions/>

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to me and I will ensure the decision is reviewed. The Trust will consider undertaking a review if requested to do so within 40 working days of the date the response is received by the applicant, and will apply discretion if a longer period of time has passed.

Should you wish to make a complaint as a result of the outcome of such a review, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO) for a decision.

Generally, the ICO cannot make a decision unless you have exhausted the complaints procedure provided by the Trust for FoI Act matters.

The ICO can be contacted at:

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

Please contact me if there are any further queries.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Mark Underwood

Head of Information Governance