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**8<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2024, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below. Please accept our apologies for the delay.

In your request you asked:

- From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, the total number of elective operations done across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.**

| Specialty                      | Jan 23     | Feb 23      | Mar 23      | Apr 23     | May 23     | Jun 23      | Jul 23     | Aug 23     | Sep 23     | Oct 23     | Nov 23      | Dec 23     |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|
| Breast Surgery                 | 34         | 31          | 37          | 23         | 31         | 36          | 26         | 34         | 30         | 30         | 33          | 26         |
| ENT                            | 70         | 87          | 112         | 68         | 69         | 93          | 74         | 84         | 76         | 84         | 92          | 80         |
| General Surgery                | 99         | 131         | 146         | 88         | 110        | 128         | 124        | 88         | 111        | 110        | 151         | 97         |
| Maxillofacial and Oral Surgery | 11         | 5           | 12          | 3          | 7          | 3           | 4          | 8          | 8          | 11         | 12          | 5          |
| Ophthalmology                  | 107        | 125         | 163         | 125        | 157        | 171         | 153        | 172        | 123        | 119        | 164         | 130        |
| Pain Management                | 13         | 38          | 48          | 29         | 22         | 0           | 7          | 19         | 31         | 11         | 18          | 22         |
| Podiatry                       | 0          | 0           | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0          | 0           | 0          |
| Trauma and Orthopaedics        | 229        | 309         | 341         | 198        | 326        | 285         | 204        | 241        | 249        | 246        | 315         | 231        |
| Urology                        | 168        | 164         | 162         | 130        | 118        | 176         | 155        | 154        | 109        | 134        | 97          | 90         |
| Vascular Surgery               | 2          | 2           | 5           | 4          | 0          | 9           | 2          | 5          | 3          | 2          | 2           | 0          |
| Gynaecology                    | 71         | 71          | 84          | 64         | 86         | 73          | 72         | 73         | 70         | 80         | 94          | 62         |
| Dermatology                    | 43         | 46          | 67          | 49         | 54         | 61          | 25         | 46         | 18         | 29         | 30          | 22         |
| Plastic Surgery                | 6          | 9           | 12          | 4          | 16         | 8           | 4          | 0          | 8          | 4          | 8           | 7          |
| <b>Total Cases Delivered</b>   | <b>853</b> | <b>1018</b> | <b>1189</b> | <b>785</b> | <b>996</b> | <b>1043</b> | <b>850</b> | <b>924</b> | <b>836</b> | <b>860</b> | <b>1016</b> | <b>772</b> |

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2. From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, the total number of elective operations cancelled across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.

| Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 | Aug 23 | Sep 23 | Oct 23 | Nov 23 | Dec 23 |
|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| 60     | 91     | 107    | 68     | 81     | 96     | 72     | 75     | 84     | 74     | 84     | 67     |

3. From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, the total number of elective operations cancelled based on clinical reason across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.

| Clinical Cancellations Only   | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 | Aug 23 | Sep 23 | Oct 23 | Nov 23 | Dec 23 |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Coronavirus                   | 3      | 1      | 3      | 1      | 2      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Operation not necessary       | 3      | 5      | 10     | 4      | 4      | 8      | 6      | 7      | 7      | 3      | 5      | 9      |
| Patient Unfit                 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Pre-Op not followed           | 3      | 0      | 2      | 0      | 1      | 0      | 2      | 1      | 1      | 2      | 0      | 1      |
| Unfit for surgery             | 9      | 27     | 13     | 16     | 24     | 15     | 18     | 19     | 28     | 31     | 21     | 14     |
| Unsuitable for listed surgery | 6      | 8      | 6      | 9      | 5      | 7      | 9      | 6      | 3      | 2      | 7      | 0      |

4. From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, the total number of elective operations cancelled based on capacity or non-clinical reason across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.

| Non-Clinical Only             | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 | Aug 23 | Sep 23 | Oct 23 | Nov 23 | Dec 23 |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Administrative error          | 2      | 4      | 2      | 2      | 1      | 2      | 0      | 2      | 2      | 0      | 3      | 2      |
| Emergencies/trauma in theatre | 2      | 0      | 2      | 0      | 2      | 9      | 1      | 1      | 5      | 2      | 0      | 3      |
| Equipment failure/unavailable | 5      | 6      | 1      | 0      | 4      | 9      | 2      | 0      | 4      | 0      | 6      | 2      |
| ITU/HDU bed unavailable       | 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 2      |
| Lack of theatre time          | 6      | 12     | 13     | 5      | 13     | 11     | 16     | 4      | 8      | 11     | 11     | 8      |
| Postponed                     | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      |
| Staffing unavailable          | 3      | 2      | 6      | 7      | 2      | 5      | 3      | 5      | 2      | 2      | 5      | 1      |
| Ward bed unavailable          | 1      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 4      | 0      |

5. From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, the total number of elective operations cancelled by patient across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.

| Patient Initiated Cancellations | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 | Aug 23 | Sep 23 | Oct 23 | Nov 23 | Dec 23 |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Appointment Inconvenient        | 2      | 3      | 4      | 0      | 1      | 2      | 2      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 4      |
| Coronavirus                     | 1      | 0      | 6      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| DNA                             | 8      | 4      | 14     | 7      | 4      | 7      | 3      | 11     | 8      | 7      | 10     | 8      |
| Interpreter Issues              | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |

| Patient Initiated Cancellations | Jan 23 | Feb 23 | Mar 23 | Apr 23 | May 23 | Jun 23 | Jul 23 | Aug 23 | Sep 23 | Oct 23 | Nov 23 | Dec 23 |
|---------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Lack of theatre time            | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 2      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Operation not wanted            | 1      | 5      | 3      | 8      | 6      | 8      | 3      | 2      | 2      | 8      | 2      | 5      |
| Pre-op Guidance Not Followed    | 1      | 2      | 1      | 3      | 3      | 1      | 0      | 3      | 4      | 1      | 2      | 0      |
| Transport Cancelled             | 0      | 1      | 6      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| Unfit for surgery               | 4      | 9      | 15     | 6      | 7      | 11     | 3      | 12     | 10     | 5      | 7      | 8      |
| Unsuitable for listed surgery   | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 1      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |

**6. From 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023, a breakdown of all the reasons for elective operations to be cancelled across all hospitals that your NHS Foundation Trust runs.**

As above.

I trust this information answers your request. Should you have any further enquiries or queries about this response please do not hesitate to contact me. However, if you are unhappy with the way in which your request has been handled, 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: Sally Brook Shanahan, Director of Corporate Affairs, King's Mill Hospital, Mansfield Road, Sutton in Ashfield, Nottinghamshire, NG17 4JL or email [sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net](mailto:sally.brookshanahan@nhs.net).

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Yours faithfully

**Information Governance Team**

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