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Dear

INFORMATION REQUEST UNDER THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000

We are now pleased to respond to your request for information under the FOI Act.

You asked:

- 1. Number of occasion's maternity wards and/or services were closed for 1 hour or more.*
- 2. Number of women who requested a midwife's attendance at a planned home birth but where a midwife was not provided.*

I'd like this information for both the years 2014/5, 2015/6, and if possible 2016/7

2014-2015

1 temporary divert for 4 hours: only 1 woman was diverted to another unit however she was assessed and was not in labour. She subsequently delivered at WWL.

2015-2016

No diverts or closures

2016-2017

3 diverts

2 diverts for 4 hours: no impact on the women.

1 divert for 6 hours: no impact on the women.

I trust that this information is helpful to you, however if you are not entirely satisfied with this response please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department on 01257 488271. If we do not hear from you within 28 days we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Andrew Foster', written in a cursive style.

Andrew Foster
Chief Executive

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