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Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 16th September 2025, 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.

In your request you asked:

1. The total number of 'concerns raised' through the Freedom to Speak Up scheme between 01/09/23 and 01/09/25 (or the most recent month for which data is available), broken down by month

The Trust is only able to provide data from March 2024.

Month	Total number of concerns raised					
Mar 2024	9					
Apr 2024	4					
May 2024	15					
Jun 2024	10					
Jul 2024	5					
Aug 2024	8					
Sep 2024	7					
Oct 2024	19					
Nov 2024	14					
Dec 2024	3					
Jan 2025	6					
Feb 2025	6					
Mar 2025	2					

Apr 2025	7
May 2025	3
Jun 2025	5
Jul 2025	10
Aug 2025	4
Sep 2025	11

2. The number of 'concerns raised' through the Freedom to Speak Up scheme relating to maternity departments and staff working in maternity departments in the same period, broken down by month.

The Trust is only able to provide data from March 2024.

	Total number of concerns raised						
Month	relating to maternity						
Mar 2024	0						
Apr 2024	0						
May 2024	0						
Jun 2024	0						
Jul 2024	0						
Aug 2024	0						
Sep 2024	0						
Oct 2024	0						
Nov 2024	<5						
Dec 2024	<5						
Jan 2025	0						
Feb 2025	0						
Mar 2025	0						
Apr 2025	<5						
May 2025	0						
Jun 2025	0						
Jul 2025	0						
Aug 2025	0						
Sep 2025	<5						

3. The number of incidents recorded on Datix (or the Trust's equivalent incident reporting system) between 01/09/23 and 01/09/25 (or the most recent month for which data is available), broken down by month and severity

Trust wide patient incidents	No harm/injury	Low harm/injury or full recovery in < 3 days	Moderate harm (further treatment or procedure required)	Severe, permanent or long term (including prolonged psychological harm)	Death caused by incident
Sep 2023	1019	168	11	2	4
Oct 2023	1058	193	5	1	2

Nov 2023	1102	203	9	2	1
Dec 2023	1024	178	7	3	2
Jan 2024	1122	192	8	2	0
Feb 2024	978	196	10	1	1
Mar 2024	1050	182	6	4	1
Apr 2024	1051	198	22	5	2
May 2024	1036	176	16	2	3
Jun 2024	934	211	11	1	1
Jul 2024	987	253	22	0	3
Aug 2024	1041	229	15	4	2
Sep 2024	1095	290	18	2	0
Oct 2024	1031	316	15	0	1
Nov 2024	1070	280	19	2	0
Dec 2024	951	232	12	1	0
Jan 2025	1052	328	10	2	2
Feb 2025	931	294	10	2	4
Mar 2025	1064	272	20	0	2
Apr 2025	952	299	18	3	2
May 2025	922	291	15	0	2
Jun 2025	933	279	20	0	5
Jul 2025	996	249	21	3	1
Aug 2025	984	298	22	3	3
Sep 2025	26	8	0	0	3

4. The number of incidents on recorded on Datix (or the Trust's equivalent incident reporting system) relating to maternity departments and the staff working in departments, for the same period, broken down by month and severity

Maternity patient incidents	No harm/injury	Low harm/injury or full recovery in < 3 days	Moderate harm (further treatment or procedure required)	Severe, permanent or long term (including prolonged psychological harm)	Death caused by incident
Sep 2023	64	4	1	0	0
Oct 2023	65	6	0	0	0
Nov 2023	77	4	0	1	0
Dec 2023	39	3	0	0	0
Jan 2024	65	0	0	0	0
Feb 2024	63	4	0	0	0
Mar 2024	46	2	0	0	0
Apr 2024	52	10	0	0	0
May 2024	64	6	1	0	0
Jun 2024	38	14	0	0	0
Jul 2024	56	9	0	0	0
Aug 2024	55	5	0	0	0

Sep 2024	44	16	0	0	0
Oct 2024	44	4	0	0	0
Nov 2024	48	5	0	0	0
Dec 2024	51	6	2	0	0
Jan 2025	54	8	1	0	0
Feb 2025	43	5	2	0	<5
Mar 2025	54	4	1	0	0
Apr 2025	30	10	0	0	0
May 2025	31	7	0	0	0
Jun 2025	29	6	1	0	0
Jul 2025	42	5	1	1	0
Aug 2025	44	9	1	0	<5
Sep 2025	1	0	0	0	<5

We are withholding the exact figures under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, as disclosing it could lead to the identification of individuals. This constitutes personal data, and its release would breach the data protection principles.

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

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

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