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Dear [REDACTED]

Request for Information

I write further to your request FOI ID 35159 under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 regarding: -

Self-Harm and admissions

Your request is set out below:

The Trust is committed to providing all patients with a safe and secure environment, and we have policies in place to protect patients who self-harm on our wards. There are also a number of therapeutic, social and environmental interventions we use to reduce self-harm on our in-patient wards. Patients who have a history of self-harm and have actively engaged in therapy whilst an inpatient, will continue therapy once discharged into community services.

The Crisis Resolution and Home Treatment team are also part of our intervention team, and they are available 24 hours a day, 365 days per year to provide support to service users who are experiencing a major mental health crisis. This team also assists their relatives, carers and social systems to resolve the crisis.

Once the crisis is resolved, and ongoing care needs are identified, the CRHT team will work with the service user, their carer's, existing social supports, voluntary and other involved agencies including GPs, the service user's Care Co-ordinator and Lead Professional – to ensure a seamless approach to their care is put in place.

In this FOI, I am looking for deliberate self-harm, and the supplementary codes in your system may be: intentional self-harm: X70 to X84 and intentional self-poisoning which is codes: X60 to X64 and X66 to X69

FOI ID 35159 is based on all inpatient consultant episodes finishing between 01/01/2016 and 31/12/2021 where the client has any of the following codes as one of their 14 potential diagnoses:

'X70', 'X71', 'X72', 'X73', 'X74', 'X75', 'X76', 'X77', 'X78', 'X79', 'X80', 'X81', 'X82', 'X83', 'X84', 'X60', 'X61', 'X62', 'X63', 'X64', 'X66', 'X67', 'X68', 'X69'

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Chief Executive – Helen Greatorex

1. How many individuals who have been admitted - Finished Admission Episodes (FAEs) - for deliberate or intentional self-harm between 2016-2021, how many who have been admitted by the source of the police?

Episode End Year	Admitted By Police
2016	Fewer than 5
2017	0
2018	0
2019	Fewer than 5
2020	9
2021	10

Due to the low numbers involved in the response to your request I would like to confirm that we are unable to release the information, in full. We are not obliged, under section 40 (2) FOIA to provide information that is personal information of another person if releasing would contravene any of the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018. In this instance we believe that the figures are significantly low enough that identification of those involved could be made, and would therefore contravene the first Data Protection principle, therefore section 40 (2) is engaged.

The terms of this exemption in the freedom of information act mean that we do not have to consider whether or not it would be in the public interest for you to have the information.

The Admitted by Police count is based on their admission source being one of the following: 'Penal establishment', 'Penal establishment, Court, or police station', 'Police Station / Police Custody Suite'

2. How many individuals who have been admitted for deliberate or intentional self-harm between 2016-2021 - Finished Admission Episodes (FAEs), how many of those in their record, have been given home base treatment (former Crisis team) and have a past record of being treated by a home base team (former Crisis team)?

Episode End Year	Crisis Treatment
2016	35
2017	13
2018	9
2019	17
2020	89
2021	79

The Crisis Treatment count is based on the client having had a CRHT referral open at any point prior to the end of their episode.

3. How many individuals have been admitted - Finished Admission Episodes (FAEs) for deliberate or intentional self-harm between 2016-2021 and have been detained under the Mental Health Act and were treated by your organisation?

Episode End Year	Detained Under MHA
2016	21

2017	Fewer than 5
2018	7
2019	9
2020	69
2021	58

Due to the low numbers involved in the response to your request I would like to confirm that we are unable to release the information, in full. We are not obliged, under section 40 (2) FOIA to provide information that is personal information of another person if releasing would contravene any of the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018. In this instance we believe that the figures are significantly low enough that identification of those involved could be made, and would therefore contravene the first Data Protection principle, therefore section 40 (2) is engaged.

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The Detained Under MHA count is based on the client having been on a section at any point during their episode.

I confirm that the information above completes your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. I am also pleased to confirm that no charge will be made for this request.

If you have any questions or concerns or are unhappy with the response provided or the service you have received you can write to the Head of Information Governance at the address on top of this letter. If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision.

Yours Sincerely

On Behalf of
The Information Governance Department