

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to respond to your request [REDACTED] [REDACTED] April 2016. Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust can confirm that it holds the data that you requested.

Wantage Midwifery Led Unit from Wantage Community Hospital

28th November to the 14th December 2015 – closed due to outbreak of norovirus in the ward below.

2012 – Maintenance work and replacement of roof (Feb 23rd - November 2012)

2011 – Issues with lift (2 DAYS)

Cotswold Birth Centre from Chipping Norton Community Hospital

2015 - The unit had temporarily closed for a few hours for lift repairs

2012 - Closed to births from October 2012 until July 2013 for a review of services although the unit continued to be open for antenatal and postnatal care.

2011 – Closed for one week at the end of February to relocate to the new unit. On 7th March, the birth unit reopened in the new premises.

2011 - 20 August until the 7 September, the unit closed because of issues with the lift.

Wallingford Community Midwifery-led Unit (St George's Ward) from Wallingford Community Hospital

The unit was successful in obtaining a DOH grant to refurbish the unit.

The unit was closed on 21st September 2013 and reopened on 21st January 2014.

The Delivery Suite from Horton Hospital, Banbury

18/8/2015 – Unable to take high risk women due to lack of obstetric cover. Care for women in labour who were risk assessed as 'Low Risk' – 12 hours

6/12/2015 - Closed for part of the day due to lack of obstetric cover - 6 hours

19/3/2016 – Closed for part of the day due to lack of obstetric cover – 4 hours

The Consultant Unit at Horton rarely closes but occasionally may need to divert to Oxford due to capacity or staffing. This is to ensure one to one care can be offered or avoid delays in planned procedures i.e. IOLs or Elective operations.

The Delivery Suite from The John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford

The Consultant Unit at the John Radcliffe Hospital has never closed. On occasions due to high level of activity in delivery suite, women have been diverted to Horton

Hospital. This is to avoid delays in commencing inductions and ensure women are offered one to one care in labour.

The date (month, year) of the opening of Oxford Spires Midwifery-led Unit from The John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford

The Spires opened on September 1st 2008

The dates (day, month, year) that Oxford Spires Midwifery-led Unit temporarily closed their doors to new maternity patients from 1st April 2004 onwards (or the earliest date available, if this is later)

1st July 2009 – 4 September 2009 – Staffing Shortages

The midwives work flexibly to cover the unit and other areas in maternity. OUHFT has an escalation policy which promotes and facilitate the movement of community and hospital staff to areas of greatest need to ensure 1:1 care is offered to labouring women - staff work flexibly to achieve this.

Bank/agency spends on midwifery staff for each month from April 2010 onwards (or the earliest date available, if this is later).

2015/16 Total £15,679 - Prior years no expenditure on bank/agency for midwifery staff.

Please note that on 1 November 2011 the Oxford Radcliffe Hospitals NHS Trust (ORH) merged with the Nuffield Orthopaedic Hospital NHS Trust (NOC) to form the Oxford University Hospitals NHS Trust (OUH). Our response reflects these changes. Therefore, we consider that Oxford University Hospitals Trust has released to you all of the information that it holds in relation to your request.

Internal review

If you are dissatisfied with the service or response to your request you can ask for an internal review by writing to:

██████████ Director of Assurance, John Radcliffe Hospital, Headley Way, Headington, Oxford OX3 9DU.

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Yours sincerely,

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