



**The Clatterbridge  
Cancer Centre**  
NHS Foundation Trust

Clatterbridge Road  
Bebington  
Wirral  
CH63 4JY

Tel: 0151 556 5000  
Web: [www.clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk](http://www.clatterbridgecc.nhs.uk)

Date: 20 August 2021

**Re: Freedom of Information Request**  
**Ref: 234-2021**

Thank you for your email dated the 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021, requesting information in relation to NHS preparedness for winter.

The information that you require is as follows:

**Could you please answer the questions below and when responding provide plans and as much detail as possible where required to demonstrate preparedness for autumn / winter 2021/22 - 1st October 2021 to 28th Feb 2022.**

**\*\* Please note, our Trust is a tertiary specialist cancer treatment centre and not an acute Trust.**

**1) Has the trust increased the total General and Acute bed capacity? Please provide the total number of available General and Acute beds across the trust. This must include all physical beds than can be open, funded by commissioners and occupied for admitting elective and non-elective patients across all sites within the trust.**

**a) as at March 2020**

Ward 2- open to 26 beds

Ward 3 - open to 25 beds

Ward 4- open to 20 beds

Ward 5 –open to 15 beds

Teenage and young adults 8 closed beds

**b) as at July 2021**

Ward 2- open to 26 beds

Ward 3 - open to 25 beds

Ward 4- open to 20 beds

Ward 5 –open to 15 beds

Teenage and young adults 8 closed beds

**c) How many beds can be funded and open between 1st October 2021 and 28th Feb 2022 to cope with any surges in non-elective patients?**

Ward 2 –open to full capacity (26)

Ward 3 –can open 7 more beds (32)

Ward 4- can open 9 more beds (29)

Ward 5 – open to full capacity (15)

Teenage and young adults can open 8 beds (8)

Total beds open to date 86

Total beds open if required 110

**2) Has the trust increased the total ICU bed capacity? Please provide the total number of available ICU beds across the trust. This must include all physical ICU beds than can be open, funded by commissioners and occupied for admitting patients across all sites within the trust.**

**As we are a tertiary specialist cancer treatment centre we do not have ICU beds within our Trust.**

a) as at March 2020 - N/A

b) as at July 2021 - N/A

**c) How many additional beds can be funded and open between 1st October 2021 and 28th Feb 2022 to cope with surges in non-elective patients? - N/A**

Should you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on the email address provided below.

Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for this to be investigated internally.

If you are dissatisfied with the information you have received, you have the right to ask for an internal review.

Both processes will be handled in accordance with our Trust's Freedom of Information Policy and the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Internal investigation and 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: Freedom of Information Review, The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust, Clatterbridge Road, Bebington, Wirral, CH63 4JY

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the internal investigation/review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

**In order for us to ensure customer satisfaction and to monitor compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we would be grateful if you could take a couple of minutes to complete a short feedback form via the link below:**

**<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/H39RFMM>**