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Dear

### **Freedom of Information request**

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, which was received by the Trust on 26/04/2021.

- 1. Have you instructed external lawyers for advice about how your hospital has performed since March 2020? (If possible, please restrict this advice to Covid related matters and if you are able, describe the issue that the advice was sought. for example, death of patient or guidance over treatment of patients with disabilities).**  
No.
- 2. Have you paid for an "expert independent external opinion" since March 2020? (if you are able, please say the issue that this related to, for example, care of people with disabilities during Covid19).**  
No.

Please accept this letter as completion of your request. Please note that copies of this request will be held on file for three years before being confidentially destroyed.

If you are dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, please contact our Head of Information Governance on [Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk](mailto:Information.Governance@porthosp.nhs.uk) or write to the above address and we will conduct an internal review. Upon review, if you are still dissatisfied, you may appeal our decision by contacting the Information Commissioner's Office; for more information please visit the [ICO's website](#).

Please be aware, if we do not receive an appeal within 30 days of you receiving this letter, we will assume that you are satisfied with our response. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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