Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTHB\_368\_19

## You asked:

1. I would like to know whether your health board uses private traffic wardens / parking companies and, if so, how many fines have been issued since the introduction of free parking for patients from 1 September 2018. This would include eg people accidentally parking in the wrong place on the hospital grounds, such as a staff only zone, and subsequently being fined.

A private company supports the Health Board in relation to parking enforcement. However, we use our own staff and private staff to issue parking enforcement notices (PCN).

Please note that Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board was established on 1 April 2019. Since September 2018 the following parking enforcement notices have been issued with the exception of Princess of Wales Hospital, which became part of the Health Board following the boundary change on 1 April 2019.

Fines issued are as follows:

Prince Charles Hospital 1,161 Royal Glamorgan Hospital 1,941 Ysbyty Cwm Cynon 47 Ysbyty Cwm Rhondda 105

Princess of Wales Hospital 118 (since 1 April 2019)

2. I would like to know how much money this has generated.

The total number of PCNs that have been paid -1,180 giving an income to the Health Board of £7,080 (20%).

3. I would also like to know where the money collected from fines goes – back into the health service, or to the parking company.

The income is retained by the contractor and they provide the Health Board with a 20% rebate which is used to maintain car parks, road marking etc.

4. I will be interested to know how the health boards are encouraging staff and patients to use public transport.

The Health Board promotes the use of alternative transport to staff in a number of ways. We run a shuttle bus between a number of our sites several times a day which staff can use. We also promote the use of fleet or pool cars for departments that have that facility, as well as encouraging lift-sharing among members of staff. To save travelling across sites for meetings we promote the use of video conferencing and other technology. In recent years we have offered staff the chance to take part in a Cycle to Work scheme.

We also advertise bus routes and other public transport links to members of the public in our sites.