

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_321_20

You asked:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information for: Cwm Taf Health Board

1. Who is responsible for your Windows 10 desktop migration? Name/Role and contact details if available.

This would be the ICT Department who can be contacted via the Service Desk on 01685 728393.

2. How many end users do you have across the Health Board?

We have approximately 13,000 end users.

3. How many Windows end point devices do you have?

We have approximately 9,000 Windows endpoint devices.

4. Roughly what % are running on Windows 7?

Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board has deemed that the information requested within question 4 and 5 of this request exempt from disclosure under Section 31(1)(a) and Section 38(1)(a)&(b) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (the Act).

The UHB recognises its duty to protect the public and individuals, and we will not jeopardise this duty by providing this information. In our opinion, this would weaken our ability to protect our patients, staff and other service users. We have also considered the harm which will or will be likely to arise from the release of this information along with information already in the public domain.

Section 31(1)(a) of the Act provides that information which is not exempt by virtue of Section 30 (criminal investigations and proceedings) is exempt if its disclosure would, or would be likely to, prejudice the prevention or detection of crime. In guidance, the Information Commissioner's Office has advised that Section 31 amongst other things, prevents information being disclosed that would increase the risk of the law being broken. In addition, it can be claimed by any public authority.

The UHB is relying upon this exemption as it considers that releasing this information about our IT systems, would in the present climate, make it more vulnerable to crime.

Section 31 – Law Enforcement of the Act states that:

31(1) Information which is not exempt information by virtue of section 30 is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to, prejudice - (a) the prevention or detection of crime

Section 38(2) – Health and Safety of the Act – states that:

38(1) Information is exempt information if its disclosure under this Act would, or would be likely to –

(a) endanger the physical or mental health of any individual, or

(b) endanger the safety of any individual.

(2) The duty to confirm or deny does not arise if, or to the extent that, compliance with section 1(1)(a) would, or would be likely to, have either of the effects mentioned in subsection (1).

Therefore the UHB considers that the public interest in withholding the information outweighs any arguments for disclosure, therefore protecting the UHB from potential criminal activity.

5. Does the Health Board still use Java and Internet Explore based applications?

Please see response to question 4.

6. Is the Health Board Cyber Essentials Plus accredited?

No the Health Board is not Cyber Essentials Plus accredited.

7. Does the Health Board have devices that still require Windows 7 technology to work such as scanners and printers?

Yes.

8. Who is responsible for IT Security? Name / Role and contact details if available.

IT Security comes under the remit of Clare Williams - Director of Planning and Performance (Interim). Contact number: 01443 744800.