Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_494_23

You asked:

I am writing under the freedom of information act to request the following information:

1. The number of Fax machines currently operational within your Health Board

20 - 25.

2. The number of Fax machines purchased by your Health Board since 01/04/2020

10.

3. The total number of operating theatres in your Health Board

27.

4. % of time operating theatres in your Health Board have not been utilised since 01/04/2022 (including weekends and bank-holidays)

42.2%.

Please note the above figures is based on 7 days a week, 52 weeks of the year, and looking at AM / PM time periods for planned theatre staffing (i.e. where the sessions/list were either **Cancelled for Audit**, **Cancelled NOT for Audit** OR **Unfunded Session (Fallow)**). 33 of the 42.2 is due to **Unfunded Session (Fallow)** and largely at the weekends. We have compensated for Emergency Surgery sessions run at the weekend – where the theatre is ready to work but no patient has come in, but the difference is very small.