

Freedom of Information Request: Our Reference CTMUHB_04_24

You asked:

I am writing to you under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 to request the following information.

Please can I request the number of deaths from 1st January 2023 – 31st December 2023 (inclusive) in each of the following housing situations:

- people identified as rough sleeping or with a history of rough sleeping
- rough sleeping or with no fixed abode

Where you have access to any of the following information, please include the cause of death or suspected cause of death, date of death, the person's gender, the person's age when they died, their ethnicity, and their immigration status. If you cannot provide any of this additional information, then please just provide the number of deaths.

Our response:

Whilst the Health Board can confirm the number of Cwm Taf Morgannwg patients who have a death date recorded in the period requested, we are unable to confirm where they lived at date of death. The address on the patient table would be from the patients' last contact made with the Health Board and not necessarily, where they lived at date of death.

The specific detailed information that you require would be held in the individual's death certificate. Death certificates are not held by the Health Board, but by the Registrar of Deaths (in the local authority). Therefore, you may wish to redirect your request to them directly.

To assist you with this request, the relevant email addresses are provided below:

- Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council - freedomofinformation@rhondda-cynon-taff.gov.uk
- Merthyr Tydfil Borough Council - FOI@merthyr.gov.uk
- Bridgend County Borough Council - foi@bridgend.gov.uk