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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

REF: 2026-121
Subject: Coroner Referrals After Neonatal Death

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for your email dated **12/02/2026** where you requested information about **Coroner Referrals After Neonatal Death.**

The information you requested is enclosed.

Question	Answer
I am requesting the following information for the period 01 January 2023 to present. Please provide the data broken down by calendar year and by hospital site within the Trust. For each year and hospital site, please provide:	Please find attached
a) The total number of births.	
b) The total number of stillbirths.	
c) The total number of neonatal deaths (defined as deaths within 28 days of birth) occurring within the Trust's maternity services.	
d) Of those neonatal deaths, the number reported to the Coroner by the Trust.	
e) For neonatal deaths not reported to the Coroner, the primary recorded cause of death.	
Where small numbers could risk identification, I am content for causes of death to be grouped into high-level categories (for example: prematurity-related, congenital anomaly, cause not known, hypoxic ischaemic encephalopathy, infection etc.).	

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the Freedom of Information Department. It would be helpful to quote the above reference number in any future communication.

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Yours sincerely,

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