

Reference:	EIR.20552.26
Subject:	Disposal of mattresses and cushions
Date of Request:	29 May 2026

Requested:

1. Please provide the number of mattresses and cushions disposed of, scrapped, or sent to waste by your Community Equipment Service (CES) in each of the following financial years:

- 2023–24
- 2024–25
- 2025–26

If held, please separate the figures into:

- Mattresses
- Cushions

2. Please also state, if available:

- a. the total disposal cost associated with these items
- b. whether the waste stream was landfill, incineration, recycling, or other disposal route.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not hold all of the information requested. The UHB works in collaboration with the Community Equipment Service (CES) in each of the three (3) Local Authorities (LAs), who hold the role of lead body for the service.

We would therefore recommend that you send your request to the Freedom of Information Teams within each LA in the UHB's footprint, who may be able to help you further with your enquiry. For ease, their details are set out below:-

Information & Data Protection Officer, Carmarthenshire County Council, County Hall, Carmarthen, SA31 1JP or by email foia@carmarthenshire.gov.uk

Complaints & Freedom of Information Team, Ceredigion County Council, Canolfan Rheidol, Rhodfa Padarn, Llanbadarn Fawr, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, SY23 3UE or by email foi@ceredigion.gov.uk

Information Governance Team, Pembrokeshire County Council, County Hall, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA61 1TP or by email FOI@pembrokeshire.gov.uk

However, under Regulation 9 of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR), the UHB has a duty to provide advice and assistance and provides the accessible information it holds for question 1 below.

The UHB provides within the table below, the number of mattresses and cushions the Pembrokeshire Community Equipment Service (CES) disposed of, during the 2023/24 to 2025/26 financial years.

Financial year	Mattresses	Cushions
2023/24	29	57
2024/25	27	79
2025/26	34	12