

Reference:	FOI.7959.22
Subject:	Funding for Field Hospitals
Date of Request:	13 January 2022

Requested:

Responses to historic Freedom of Information requests to the Welsh Government in relation to field hospitals have indicated on more than one occasion that further detail is available from individual Health Boards. I write to you in light of that advice.

The Welsh Government has stated that £166m was made available to set up 19 field hospitals across Wales. It has also confirmed the following sites and estimated bed numbers within your Health Board:

Parc y Scarlets	-	368
Bluestone	-	128
Selwyn Samuel Centre	-	143
Aberystwyth Leisure Centre	-	No bed numbers specified
Cardigan Leisure Centre	-	No bed numbers specified

In addition, within that funding envelope, it has been confirmed that arrangements were made with existing healthcare providers to access beds during the pandemic. The Welsh Government confirmed the following bed numbers for your Health Board:

Werndale	-	30
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For each of the field hospital sites identified for your Health Board, please can you confirm the following:

1. The total cost incurred in setting up each site, irrespective of whether it was ultimately commissioned.
2. Indicate whether the site was indeed commissioned and if so, the number of beds that became operational.
3. For those beds that became operational, please provide the total staffing costs incurred and indicate whether they are included in the response to question 1.
4. For those beds that became operational, please provide the opening and closing date (unless they remain open), along with the number of patients treated during that time.
5. Where the beds remain open, please confirm the number of open beds along with the total cost incurred and patients treated up to 31st December 2021.

In terms of your arrangement with Werndale, can you please confirm the following:

6. The total cost incurred in accessing these beds.
7. The date when this arrangement started and when it ended unless it remains in place.

8. The number of patients treated through this arrangement.

Where the arrangement continues to be in place, please confirm the total cost and patients treated up to 31st December 2021.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) provides the information requested, within Attachment 1.