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Subject:	Plans for new bed spaces
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Requested:

1. Please can you confirm if there are any plans for new bedspaces to be created within your trust in the next five years? This can be either proposed at a discussion point or a more formal stage of the decision process. I would like to capture new treatment areas or areas that would offer both day or overnight bed spaces. If so, please could you record the proposed site and an estimated number of additional beds to be added per year. Any example response would be as follows
 - 2025 - example general hospital 20 bed
 - 2026 - example wing 45 beds
 - 2027 - example new site 30 beds
2. Please can you confirm if there are any proposed new theatres planned to be created within your trust in the next five years. Please use the example format highlighted in Q1.
3. Please can you confirm if any of your current bed spaces or theatres are planned to be moved into a new building or area in the next 5 years. Please use the example format highlighted in Q1
4. If questions 1-3 have highlighted a response that confirms new facilities, please could you confirm which organisation has been authorised to lead on the work if the project has reached the stage of awarding.

Response:

Hywel Dda University Health Board (UHB) does not hold the requested information exactly as requested. The UHB does not have any active plans to construct new wards or theatres over the next five (5) years. However, as part of the UHB's 'A Healthier Mid and West Wales Our Future Generations Living Well' strategy, a Programme Business Case was presented to Board on 27 January 2022 and a Clinical Services Plan (CSP) detailing changes to bed numbers and theatres etc. has been developed and is currently being implemented. The CSP was discussed at the Board meeting held on 28 November 2024.

As the Board meeting papers and CSP are already in the public domain, the UHB has applied a Section 21 exemption of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FoIA), as the documents are accessible by another means and are available on the UHB's website.

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