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Freedom of Information Act 2000

I am writing in response to your request for information made under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 in relation to Cancelled operations.

You asked:

- a) How many elective operations were cancelled for a non-clinical reason at the Trust in 2021/22, broken down by reason for cancellation?*
- b) Of the total elective operations cancelled for a non-clinical reason at the Trust in 2021/22, how many were:*
 - i. urgent surgery*
 - ii. paediatric surgery*
 - iii. surgical oncology*

Trust response:

a)

Reason for cancellation	Number
Lack of beds	38
Operating theatre capacity / list over-ran	52
Staffing issues	55
Equipment failures	9
Emergency case took priority	21
Adverse weather	0
Booking / admin error	9
Case note unavailable	0
Other reasons	91

b)

- i. urgent surgery – 7 patients were listed as urgent and 1 was 2 week wait (cancer pathway)*
- ii. paediatric surgery – 40 patients were aged 0-17 years old*

iii. surgical oncology – 3 patients had a cancer primary diagnosis but we are unable confirm that the procedure that was cancelled was a cancer procedure