

**Freedom of Information Request – 3932**

Dear James Paget University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

**Freedom of Information – Maternal Request Caesarean Sections**

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act (2000). Please provide the following information to help us to assess variation in accessibility to maternal request caesarean sections.

- **Advise how many maternal request caesarean sections with no obstetric, medical or significant psychological reason were carried out by each obstetric unit within your Trust between April 2016 and April 2017.**  
*15 maternal requests in the stated time period.*
- **Provide a copy of any locally agreed guidelines, staff guidelines and patient information leaflets that explain how requests for maternal request caesarean sections will be handled by the Trust.**  
*We do not have a specific patient information leaflet about maternal request CS but we inform every woman indicating this may be her choice that we use the RCOG and NICE guidance to inform the discussion with the lady.*
- **Please provide an explanation as to how you specifically meet NICE CG132 1.2.9.5 and if you are not, please provide the reason.**  
*If a woman requests a CS and there is no other physical or psychological reason for that request, we offer a second opinion with another consultant in the Trust. We can also refer to our perinatal mental health consultant who conducts a clinic at JPUH on a fortnightly basis if the woman is agreeable to this.*