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We are responding to your request for information received 21st June 2026. This has been treated as a request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

We are now enclosing a response which is attached to the end of this letter. Please do not hesitate to contact us on the contact details above if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

FOI Team

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Request:

Question 1: Please can you tell me if your Trust has ever piloted, or used, electronic monitoring tags to facilitate leave for patients who have been detained under the mental health act?

Answer: Yes - we support electronic monitoring solely at the John Howard Centre, the Trust's Forensic Centre for Mental Health and Medium Secure Unit. This is conducted solely on a case-by-case basis and subject to clinical judgement, service user consent and senior management approval.

Question 2: If you have, please can you tell me if you have ever evaluated or audited the use of such tags?

Answer: The use of electronic monitoring is audited regularly. A full evaluation of the use of electronic monitoring is being completed. This involves analysing the use of electronic monitoring since its inception, along with the use of community leave and violations of leave. The results will guide the future use of electronic monitoring.



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