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29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Ms Phillips

**RE: FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST**

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 received on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2021 by NHS Kent and Medway Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG). The information you have requested is listed below together with the response:

- 1. How many people in William Harvey Hospital Ashford has died of Covid alone? As in the died of covid19 alone. I can see the figures you publish on line but these are deaths within 28 days of a positive covid test, so they could have died of other causes.**

**I just want to know the exact figure from the 1st February 2020 to the 1st December 2020 of people that have died from Covid and no other underlying conditions.**

I can confirm NHS Kent and Medway CCG does not hold the requested information. As the CCG is not NHS Trust therefore you may wish to redirect your request to East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust by using the following link: <https://www.ekhuft.nhs.uk/patients-and-visitors/about-us/>

We hope that this has dealt with your request for information, however, should you remain dissatisfied, you have the right to request that we conduct an internal review of the way we have handled your request. If you would like us to conduct such a review, please contact us within two months of this letter:

Email [NELCSU.foi@nhs.net](mailto:NELCSU.foi@nhs.net) or

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Your request for an internal review will then be processed in accordance with our Freedom of Information Policy.

If you are still dissatisfied following the internal review, you have the right under Section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to appeal against the decision by contacting the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner provides full and detailed guidance on the Freedom of Information Act and on when and how to complain.

Please find below the link to their website page and their helpline number.

<https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/official-information/>

Helpline number: 0303 123 1113 or 01625 545745

In line with the Information Commissioner's directive on the disclosure of information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 your request will form part of our disclosure log. Therefore, a version of our response, which will protect your anonymity, will be posted on the CCGs website.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**  
**NEL CSU**

This Freedom of Information request has been processed by NEL CSU on behalf of

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