

4 August 2026

Statistics on Admissions to Willowbrook Care Centre from Secure, Custodial or Forensic Settings

Under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, I request the following information relating to Willowbrook Care Centre

1. **As of the date 1 October 2024, how many residents at Willowbrook Care Centre have been admitted or transferred from:**
 - A prison;
 - A secure hospital;
 - A medium secure unit;
 - A high secure unit; or
 - Another secure custodial or forensic setting?
2. **Please provide the figures as anonymised totals only. I am not requesting any personal information that could identify individual residents.**

In response to questions 1 and 2, Belfast Health and Social Care Trust has undertaken searches and has established that it does not hold information in a format that records or categorises Willowbrook Care Centre residents by the type of institution from which they were admitted or transferred.

Accordingly, under section 1(1)(a) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Trust does not hold the requested information.

3. **Please also state whether the Department of Health has undertaken any assessment of the impact on the local community arising from accommodating residents transferred from secure or custodial settings.**
4. **If any part of this information is held by another public authority or Health and Social Care Trust, please transfer this request or advise me which authority holds the information.**

Regarding questions 3 and 4, these relate to information that may be held by the Department of Health (DOH) rather than Belfast Trust. Belfast Trust is not aware of, and does not hold, any assessment undertaken by the Department of Health relating to the impact on the local community arising from accommodating residents transferred from secure or custodial settings.

We would suggest you direct these questions to DOH who may be able to help:
Email: FOI@health-ni.gov.uk