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Invited Service Review of Belfast Trust's Cardiothoracic Surgical Service

I would like the following information:

- 1. A copy of the Invited Service Review of the Trust's Cardiothoracic Surgical Service undertaken by the Royal College of Surgeons in March 2020.
- 2. The list of 37 recommendations made by the Royal College of Surgeons into Cardiothoracic Services in the Trust as the result of an Invited Service Review undertaken in March 2020.
- 3. A breakdown of the recommendations above, which have been implemented in full.

The information you have requested is attached in two separate documents.

You will note we have redacted names/identifiers of staff within the Royal College of Surgeons, as they are not employees of Belfast Trust.

We have also redacted personal information/identifiers concerning staff, patients and other third parties; this includes Appendix A & B.

The redacted information is subject to Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 – Personal Information Relating to a Third Party.

This is deemed personal information about another individual and disclosure would breach one or more of the principles of the Data Protection Act.

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