

## Freedom of Information Request

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### Information Requested:

1. What is the current reported virtual wards beds capacity?  
[West Essex - 106](#)  
[South East Essex - 57](#)
2. Out of this capacity, what number/percentage are enabled for remote patient monitoring?  
[West Essex – 66](#)  
[South East Essex – N/A](#)
3. What is the current utilisation percentage specifically for the virtual ward beds that are enabled for remote patient monitoring (rather the overall utilisation including used for face-to-face consultations)?  
[West Essex - 83.3% \(as of 15/11/24\)](#)  
[South East Essex – N/A](#)
4. Does the utilisation of the remote patient monitoring-enabled virtual ward beds fluctuate over time? If so, could you provide an average percentage or a breakdown of utilisation across different time periods?

#### [West Essex](#)

	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24
% Occupancy	53%	53%	48%	76%	59%	41%	47%	53%	48%	61%

#### [South East Essex – N/A](#)

5. If you are unable to provide the utilisation percentage(s), could you explain the process used to capture and measure the utilisation of the remote patient monitoring-enabled virtual beds?  
[West Essex – N/A](#)  
[South East Essex – N/A](#)

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