NHS Tayside has now considered your request dated 06 June 2019.

NHS Tayside wishes to advise you that there are exemptions applicable to the information requested. Please refer to the exemptions section of this correspondence.

**Extract from Request**

“Please provide information on: what the (a) longest and (b) average waiting time has been in each year since 2010 for a breast screening appointment?”

**Response**

Please see table below for the average waiting times for screening centres in April 2019. NHS Tayside does not hold information on the longest waiting times for breast screening appointments. Waiting times for routine results and assessment clinics have been maintained at 2 and 4 weeks respectively, with minimal slippage of 3 weeks and under across the programme. NHS Tayside does not hold information prior to April 2019.

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Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Tayside has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commission.

A request for an internal review must be made in writing no later than forty working days from receipt of this response and sent to:

Head of Information Governance  
Maryfield House (South)  
30 Mains Loans  
Dundee, DD4 7BT

Or by email to informationgovernance.tayside@nhs.net

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision. The Scottish Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St Andrews, KY16 9DS

Or via the online appeal service: www.itsspublicknowledge.info/Appeal
Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002
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