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Dear 

Thank you for your Freedom of Information (Fol) request received on 9 March. You wrote:

*Please disclose*

- 1. Written notice (.issued sometime between 20 August 2025 and 9 October 2025) of the grounds for non-acceptance by the MHRA of the puberty blockers trial protocol proposed by Kings College London.*
- 2. Minutes of the extraordinary meeting of the CHM which took place on on 18 September 2025 which were disclosed to the claimants in the judicial review on the puberty blockers trial on 30 January 2026.*

## **MHRA Response**

We have provided the information requested as part of this response however we are unable to provide you with some of the information requested as it constitutes personal data of someone other than yourself and as such, it is being withheld in accordance with section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act.

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We do not consider that disclosing this information is necessary or justified in order to satisfy your information request and the requirements of the FoI Act. In relation to this request, we consider that there is no strong legitimate interest that would override the prejudice to the rights and freedoms of the data subject.

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If you have any queries about this letter, please contact us quoting the reference number above.

Yours sincerely,

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