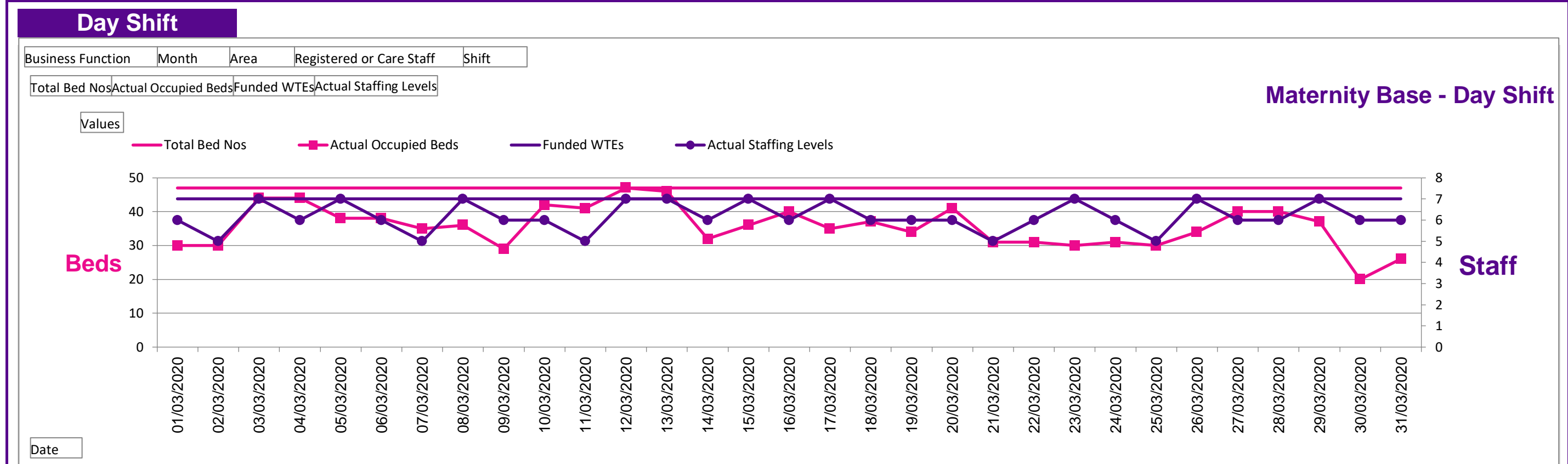


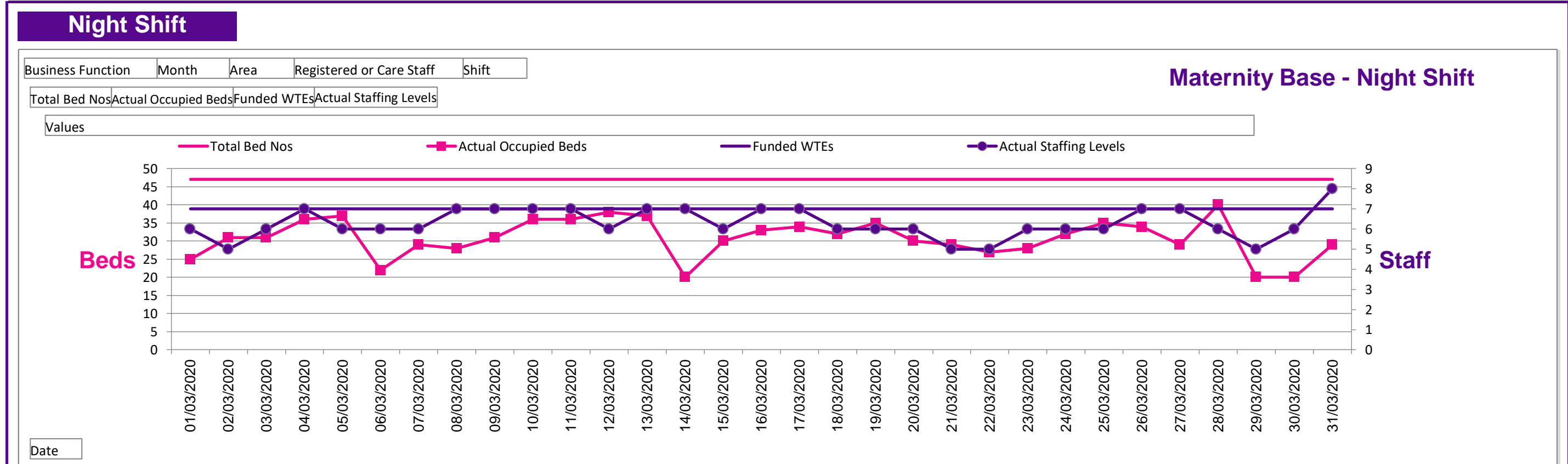
Staffing Report - Maternity Base **March-2020** Last updated: **20/04/2020** at **09:15**

Funded WTE	Registered	39.69	Current WTE	Registered	38.7	Number of shifts lost to Sickness Absence	Registered	39
	Unregistered	19.2		Unregistered	18.5		Unregistered	38
	Total	58.89		Total	57.20		Total	77.00



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Staffing Concerns	Although there have been instances during the month where staffing levels have not met agreed levels, due to vacancy and staff sickness, the bed occupancy has been reduced and safety has been maintained
Number of shifts where staffing levels are not compliant with planned levels	40
Number of staffing related concerns escalated to Matron or higher	0

Ward Manager's Statement

Maintaining safe staffing levels on the maternity ward is complex due to the unpredictable nature of admissions to the ward with approximately 20 admissions and 20 discharges in every 24 hour period. The ward also cares for complex antenatal admissions, some of whom are long stay. A senior midwife reviews the staffing levels every 4 hour across the unit to ensure that safety is maintained at all times. midwives are redeployed to areas with greatest need. There have been no safety issues relating to staffing this month. long term sickness remains high on the maternity ward.

Signed: **SARAH MCGRATH** Date: **9.4.20**

Key

Beds Total	The total number of beds allocated or available to the ward
Beds Occupied	Of the total beds, the number that have a patient in the bed
WTE Funded	WTE stands for Whole Time Equivalent. Funded WTE is the number of staff that is planned to be on a shift at any one time.
WTE Actual	Of the Funded WTE, the actual staffing level for the shift.
Registered	A Registered Nurse is one whom has qualified to practice as a nurse and is registered as such with the Royal college of Nursing or Royal College of Midwives
Unregistered	Unregistered staff are care staff that assist nurses with the day to day care of patients