

Freedom of Information request 41-17

Request

Could you please send me the responses to the following questions:

- 1) In light of last week's media speculation from "leaked papers" and following reports that Health Boards in Scotland must make "unprecedented" savings next year, I would like the Board to clarify how much money it proposes to save next year and what percent of the Board's budget does this account for?
- 2) In which areas or departments does the Board intend to make these savings and in which documents does this information appear?
- 3) If the Board did not make the above savings,(ie did nothing) what deficit would the Board be facing?

Response

NHS Borders are still in the process of establishing the implications of the draft budget. An update will be given to our board at the next public board meeting on 23rd February 2017.

If you are not satisfied with the way your request has been handled or the decision given, you may ask NHS Borders to review its actions and the decision. If you would like to request a review please apply in writing to, Freedom of Information Review, NHS Borders, Room 2EC3, Education Centre, Borders General Hospital, Melrose, TD6 9BS or foi.enquiries@borders.scot.nhs.uk.

The request for a review should include your name and address for correspondence, the request for information to which the request relates and the issue which you wish to be reviewed. Please state the reference number **41-17** on this request. Your request should be made within 40 working days from receipt of this letter.

If following this review, you remain dissatisfied with the outcome, you may appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner and request an investigation of your complaint. Your request to the Scottish Information Commissioner should be in writing (or other permanent form), stating your name and an address for correspondence. You should provide the details of the request and your reasons for dissatisfaction with both the original response by NHS Borders and your reasons for dissatisfaction with the outcome of the internal review. Your application for an investigation by the Scottish Information Commissioner must be made within six months of your receipt of the response with which you are dissatisfied. The address for the Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner is, Office of the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife.