

## Freedom of Information request 518-22

### Request

I am looking for information regarding staff facilities (e.g. welfare rooms or break rooms) excluding canteens. As such, can I request the following for the last five financial years (2018/19, 19/20, 20/21, 21/22 and 22/23):

1. The total value spent on building new staff facilities across your Board.
2. The total value spent on renovating existing staff facilities across your Board.
3. The total value spent on building new staff facilities in your hospitals, with a breakdown by location.
4. The total value spent on renovating existing staff facilities in your hospitals, with a breakdown by location.

### Response

1. There has been no spend within NHS Borders for new staff facilities between April 2018 and September 2022.
2. Please see below the NHS Borders spend on renovating existing staff facilities:

Year	Description	Location	Cost £ (inc VAT)
18/19	No repairs		£ -
19/20	No repairs		£ -
20/21	Staff room flooring replacement	Haylodge HC – staff dining	£ 2,509.00
	West Linton HC – PACS refurbishment programme (Capital)	West Linton HC – staff room	As part of a bigger project therefore this information is not held, as defined in Section 17, Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.
	Outside spaces – additional chairs and benches were procured during the height of covid to allow alternative spaces for staff.	BGH & Community – various outside spaces	Charitable funding therefore no cost to NHS Borders
21/22	Acute Dr's staff room – cabinetry	Borders General Hospital (BGH)	£ 2,000.00
22/23	Flooring and cabinetry replacement	BGH – x 2 Primary Service Block	£ 4,007.00

3. There has been no spend within NHS Borders for new staff facilities between April 2018 and September 2022.
4. This information is recorded in the table under Question 2 (above).

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](mailto: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 **518-22** 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.