

## Freedom of Information request 181-23

---

### Request

1. How many hospitals in the Health Board have designated rest and break facilities for staff only?
2. How many of these staff rest and break spaces have been re-purposed to provide patient services or to house patients between 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 to most recent data available?
3. How many hospitals offer hot food and drink services to staff and when do these services end and begin each day?
4. How many hospitals offer hot food and drink services to staff Between the hours of 10pm and 6am (not including vending machine only facilities)?

### Response

1. All NHS Borders hospitals have at least one area for rest and breaks. These may be within ward areas.
2. None of these staff rest and break spaces have been re-purposed to provide patient services or to house patients between 2019/20, 2020/21, 2021/22 to most recent data available.
3. Hot food is provided in 3 NHS Borders hospitals:

Borders General Hospital	24 hours
Haylodge	food 12-2 hot drinks 24 hrs
Knoll	food 12-2 & 4-6.30 drinks 24 hours
5. One hospital (Borders General Hospital) offers hot food and drink services to staff between the hours of 10pm and 6am (not including vending machine only facilities).

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 **181-23** 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.