

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 22-360

14 July 2022

By Email

Dear Sir/Madam

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Trust's response is as follows:

- We can confirm that we do hold the information you are requesting

facilities available for non-consultant grade doctors.

Please provide answers for the questions below, with specific details for the following sites:

- Bristol Royal Infirmary
- Bristol Royal Hospital for Children
- Weston General Hospital
- St Michael's Hospital
- South Bristol Community Hospital

Doctor's Mess

For the purposes of this FOI request a 'Doctors' Mess' is defined as a dedicated rest space, typically for the exclusive use of doctors. It does not include a rest space which is utilised by many different healthcare professions at once.

1. Is there a doctors' mess on site?

Yes

If the answer to question 1 is yes, then:

a) Is the doctors' mess funded by voluntary financial contributions from doctors? If not, how is it funded?

Basic facilities funded by Trust. Additional monthly contribution from junior doctors for social events, ad hoc food deliveries etc.

b) Which other members of the multidisciplinary team have access/make use of the doctors' mess, if any?

These specific mess facilities are for the use of doctors only

c) If other members of the MDT are allowed access to the doctors' mess do they make the same voluntary financial contributions as doctors in instances where the mess is funded by voluntary financial contributions?

Not applicable

d) If other members of the multidisciplinary team have access/make use of the doctors' mess, when was the decision to open access to other members of the MDT made and who made the decision to do so? An approximate date is acceptable for 'when', and a job title is acceptable for 'who'.

Not applicable

If the answer to question 1 is no and the trust previously had a doctor's mess:

e) What was the date of its closure? An approximate date is acceptable.

Not applicable

f) When in existence, how was the doctors' mess funded?

Not applicable

g) What was the space reallocated/repurposed into?

Not applicable

Lockers & Changing Facilities

2. Does the trust provide locker space for rotating junior doctors?

No

3. Does the trust have on-site changing facilities available to rotating junior doctors, excluding those facilities located in the theatre department? Please provide details of the facilities available.

Yes - showers, changing facilities and lockers in cycle shed in Trust Headquarters

This concludes our response. We trust that you find this helpful, but please do not hesitate to contact us directly if we can be of any further assistance.

If, after that, you are dissatisfied with the handling of your request, you have the right to ask for an internal review. Internal review requests should be submitted within two months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter and should be addressed to:

Data Protection Officer
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust
Trust Headquarters
Marlborough Street
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Please remember to quote the reference number above in any future communications.

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

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Yours sincerely

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