

Freedom of Information Request

Ref: 24-228

3 April 2024

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 hold some of the information you are requesting

For each question, please provide figures

For the trust as a whole, and then for each individual hospital under your trust For the last 5 financial years, NOT calendar years as I first requested. Please include this financial year too:

2019/2020

2020/2021

2021/2022

2022/2023

2023/2024 (for this year, please provide the figures from the start of the year to 29/02/2024)

I am expecting the data in table format, with years in the rows, and then a column for the trust as a whole, as well as a column for each hospital you serve.

Please provide me:

1) The total £ amount spent on patient meals. I would like a figure for just the food / ingredients, without including staff costs or equipment.

Year	Bristol Royal Infirmary	South Bristol Community Hospital	Weston General Hospital
2019/2020	£4,088,840	£286,288	£1,249,358
2020/2021	£3,887,659	£277,154	£1,281,569
2021/2022	£4,127,944	£369,937	£1,379,704
2022/2023	£4,732,385	£395,699	£1,458,688
2023/2024	-	-	-

We do not have the split of ingredients/food costs prior to 2022/23. We do not have data for 2023/24 yet.

2) The total number of meals served to patients (including breakfast if possible)

Year	Bristol Royal infirmary	South Bristol Community Hospital	Weston General Hospital
2019/2020	£965,907	£65,700	£203,104
2020/2021	£810,746	£65,700	£222,286
2021/2022	£891,816	£65,700	£266,872
2022/2023	£905,849	£65,700	£289,670
2023/2024	-	-	-

This is on the assumption of three meals a day (breakfast, lunch and dinner). We do not have data for 2023/24 yet.

3) The average daily cost of meals per patient in £. I.e how much does it cost to feed one patient for a day, taking just the food / ingredients costs into account, so again not including staff costs or equipment. Provide this as an average over the year, along with a note on the method used to work this out if possible.

Year	Bristol Royal infirmary	South Bristol Community Hospital	Weston General Hospital
2019/2020	£12.70	£13.07	£18.45
2020/2021	£14.39	£12.66	£17.30
2021/2022	£13.89	£16.89	£15.51
2022/2023	£15.67	£18.07	£15.11
2023/2024	-	-	-

This is the total cost of feeding a patient rather than just the ingredients costs. Please see notes for BRI and WGH for the cost per patient based on food/ingredients costs only. It is calculated by dividing the total amount spent on meals by the total number of meals served, then multiplying that figure by three (assumes each patient receives three meals a day). We do not have data for 2023/24 yet.

4) The average number of patients you fed per day over the year (i.e on any given day we fed an average of 100 patients)

Year	Bristol Royal infirmary	South Bristol Community Hospital	Weston General Hospital
2019/2020	882	60	185

2020/2021	740	60	203
2021/2022	814	60	244
2022/2023	827	60	265
2023/2024	-	-	-

We do not have data for 2023/24 yet.

5) The amount of food wasted and what % this accounts for of total food served. I would like the 'amount' of food wasted given as a weight measurement if possible.

We do not hold this information.

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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