

Mr George Winter

Date 14 May 2019

Your Ref

Our Ref FOI 0004749

By Email

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Dear Mr Winter

Request for Information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

We write in response to your enquiry under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act.

For the financial years 2017/18 and 2018/19:

1. How much did NHS Forth Valley spend on confectionery for resale to patients and public? i.e. chocolate, crisps, sweets and the like.

2. How much did NHS Forth Valley spend on sugar-sweetened beverages? i.e. cola, lemonade, Fanta, Irn Bru etc

Response: NHS Forth Valley does not split the cost of shop purchases to that level of detail. The exemption that we consider applies is detailed below:

**Section 17(1)(b) – Notice that information is not held.
Where the authority does not hold that information.**

We trust this is to your satisfaction. However, under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 if you are dissatisfied with our response you are entitled to request a review. A request for review must be made in writing to Miss Deirdre Coyle, Head of Information Governance, NHS Forth Valley, CSD, Colquhoun Street, Stirling, FK7 7PX or fv-uhb.freedomofinformation@nhs.net, no later than forty working days from receipt of the response. Your request must be in permanent form and should state:

- That you are asking for a review of this decision and
- Why you are unhappy with the response you have received.

If our decision is unchanged following a review and you remain dissatisfied with this, you then have the right to ask for advice, assistance or a formal appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledykes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS or www.itspublicknowledge.info/Appeal

Please feel free to contact us should you require any further advice or assistance.

Yours sincerely

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