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**Re: Freedom of Information Request FOI 4066**

We are writing in response to your request submitted under the Freedom of Information Act, received in this office on 09th October 2019.

Your request was as follows:

For each calendar year over the last five years, what was the NHS Foundation's budget to be spent on food for its patients?

**Patient Food Costs Budget**

2014 253,127  
2015 267,066  
2016 342,306  
2017 375,444  
2018 379,438

For each calendar year over the last five years, how much money has the NHS Foundation spent on food for its patients?

**Patient Food Costs Actuals**

2014 280,720.24  
2015 343,443.63  
2016 361,159.96  
2017 375,444.23  
2018 378,152.95

For each calendar year over the last five years, how many meals has the NHS Foundation provided for its patients?

Section 21 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 provides that:

“(1) Information which is reasonably accessible to the applicant otherwise than under section 1 is exempt information.

(2) For the purposes of subsection (1)—

(a) information may be reasonably accessible to the applicant even though it is accessible only on payment...”

The information you have requested is published in The Walton Centre's Estates Returns Information Collection please use the following link: <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections>

As a result, we believe that the information is already reasonably accessible to you.

Does the NHS Foundation currently have on its menu, food options which are suitable for vegans, vegetarians, and people with coeliac disease?

Yes

Please see our response above in [blue](#).

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If 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 the Freedom of Information Office at the address above.

**Please remember to quote the reference number, FOI 4066 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 Commissioners Office, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

Yours sincerely

*Mike Burns*

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