Information Governance

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BY EMAIL

Date 27th June 2014

Your Ref

Our Ref FOI/2014/215

Enquiries to Information Governance Team

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Dear

Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

I refer to your e-mail dated 2nd June 2014, requesting:

- "Information relating to the fire prevention measures in place within hospitals within the Board area.
- Specifically I seek a list, per hospital, of what fire prevention equipment exists within hospitals to control and or/extinguish any outbreak of fire within the buildings.
- I also wish details of any sprinkler systems in place within hospitals in the Board area and, if not throughout the whole building, which departments, wards, and areas in which sprinkler systems exist.
- Further, I seek details of all outbreaks of fire within hospitals in the Board area over the past five years (calendar years or financial years, depending on how you collate your statistics. This would be 2009-2014). For clarification, I wish information on all fire incidents, no matter how minor, including the nature of the incident, the date, at where it took place."

I can now respond as follows:

Information relating to the fire prevention measures in place within hospitals within the Board area.

Hospitals within NHS Grampian have the following fire prevention measures in place: fire extinguishers, sprinkler systems, fire blankets, fire alarms, fire doors, fire compartmentation and staff training.

Specifically I seek a list, per hospital, of what fire prevention equipment exists within hospitals to control and or/extinguish any outbreak of fire within the buildings.

The Matthew Hay Building has sprinkler systems, fire blankets, fire alarms, fire extinguishers, fire doors and fire compartmentation.

All other hospitals within NHS Grampian have fire alarms, fire extinguishers, fire blankets, fire doors and fire compartmentation.

I also wish details of any sprinkler systems in place within hospitals in the Board area and, if not throughout the whole building, which departments, wards, and areas in which sprinkler systems exist.

The Matthew Hay Building has a sprinkler system across the entire building.

Further, I seek details of all outbreaks of fire within hospitals in the Board area over the past five years (calendar years or financial years, depending on how you collate your statistics. This would be 2009-2014). For clarification, I wish information on all fire incidents, no matter how minor, including the nature of the incident, the date, at where it took place.

On Saturday 29th May 2009 there was a fire in a ward toilet in Ward 34 at Aberdeen Royal Infirmary.

Under section 20 (1) of the Act, if you are dissatisfied with the way NHS Grampian has dealt with your request, you have a right to request a review of our actions and decisions in relation to your request, and you have a right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner.

A request for review must be made within 40 working days and should, in the first instance, be in writing to: Directorate of Corporate Communications, Ashgrove House, Foresterhill, Aberdeen, AB25 2ZN or by email to grampian@nhs.net

Requests for appeal should be made in writing to: Scottish Information Commissioner, Kinburn Castle, Doubledvkes Road, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9DS

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Yours sincerely

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